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The best Halloween issue ever!

We love Halloween. But like you, we lead real lives, too. So we've made sure this issue has a lot of shortcuts, as well as a lot of inspiring ideas.

As you can see by the mantel vignette, *below*, our adult Halloween party is mysterious, glamorous, and elegant. The best part? It's a party that you prepare totally ahead of time—that's keeping it real! Our kids party is a blast, and you can easily download all or part of the party. If you're looking for a kid's costume, start with a fleece or sweatshirt garment. And when you're ready to carve your pumpkins, go for artificial ones, to use year after year. (I've always hated those stringy things when cleaning out a real pumpkin.) There are also quick favors, and since they're not all candy, they're great for school or day care treats. We'll be having a great Halloween here, keeping it real. I hope you do, too!

Ann Beenins



Don't miss a day—our idea-packed e-newsletter on all things holiday begi<mark>ns</mark> September 7. Sign up now to see Halloween homes, spooky sweets, plus you an rock Thanksgiving and wreaths, DIY gifts, and tree decor.



















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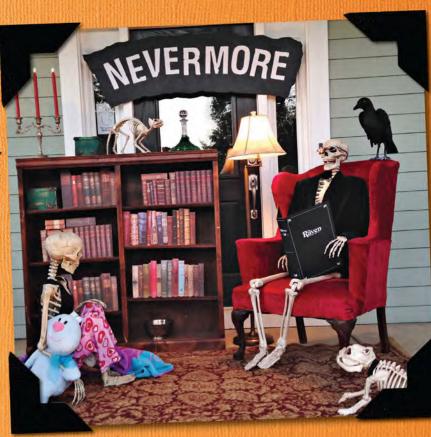
Skeleton ADVENTURES

Every day in October, Steve Miller and Tracy Adams create new scenes starring their favorite plastic skeleton couple to the delight of their neighbors in the South Carolina community of Baxter Village—as well as online fans.

PHOTOGRAPHED BY STEVE MILLER WRITTEN BY RENEE FREEMON MULVIHILL

Bedtime Stories

The Baxter Skeletons love to cozy up with a haunting tale like Edgar Allan Poe's "The Raven." To create a scareworthy book collection, right, Miller covered cardboard forms with book-cover images he found online.





Music Mayhem

This punk rock music is so loud it might wake the dead! Sporting wild wigs and instruments bought for a song online, "The Fracture" is determined to get Halloween off to a rockin' good start, left.

Bathing Beauties

Rub-a-dub-dub in a skeletonsize tub. Who doesn't enjoy a good soak? Galvanized tubs from a farm supply store, right, serve as bathtubs, while Christmas tree garland and glass ball ornaments form the bubbles. A bubble machine placed behind the tub adds a final flourish: real bubbles!









E.T., Bone Home

Miller and Adams celebrate the classic '80s movie *E.T.* with this fun vignette, *above*. The skeletons and bike are hung with monofilament, while painted cardboard cutouts form the trees and moon.

Braving the Rapids

Mr. and Mrs.
Skeleton are in for the ride of their afterlife when they take on these rapids created with a blue drop cloth and waves of spray-foam insulation, left.







Decorating Disaster

Looks like Mrs. Skeleton has gotten caught in Charlotte's web! Overturned flowerpots and spilled decorations, above, attest to her bad day. Maybe she should just try again tomorrow.

Camp Woe-Be-Gone

No camping trip is complete without a warm fire for toasting marshmallows. Red and yellow crepe-paper streamers attached to a box fan form the flickering flames, *left*.

* To see more of the skeletons, visit facebook.com/BaxterSkeletons.

Fireside

WRITTEN BY RENEE FREEMON MULVIHILL

Our readers show off their favorite Halloween mantel displays filled with witches, wizards, and skeletons. Use their wickedly clever decorating ideas to create a bewitching scene of your own.





Place your largest items first.
Put them slightly off center.
Drape netting or garlands over
the mantel to add texture.



Add height with one item that draws your eye upward. Fill in with small decorative items that fit your theme.



More Mantels

Old-Fashioned Haunts

Ghostly white pumpkins gleam in this vintage-theme display that hints at cobweby corners and dark passages, *right*. A crooked old frame anchors the scene, serving as a rickety perch for an old crow waiting for his friend to be freed from his metal cloche jail.

Modern Mystery

A pumpkin garland sets a festive tone at this hearth, below right, and spiderweb artwork creates a spooktacular focal point. Perky polka dots were created using painter's tape cut from 2- and 3-inch circle punches. A vinyl owl decal dresses up a silver charger; silver paint highlights bolts and stitches on the monster's head.







Scary Silhouettes

A wicked witch silhouette created with black shelf liner, *left*, rides on a toy broom above this sparkly mantel display. An old black T-shirt makes a fun cape that gives the impression of movement. Moon and star cutouts are painted silver for added sparkle, and a glittering skull is dressed up with a festive witch hat.

Skeleton Crew

Spooky skeleton images merge with Victorian-inspired photographs to create freaky family portraits, *below*. They're paired with a vintage-look garland, an antique mirror accented with a skeleton wreath, and bright orange carnival tickets that dare visitors to join the party!





Jenn Erickson

Haunted Mansion

Urns filled with barren branches, a grimacing skull, and spooky spiders make this ornate hearth, above, feel like it's been long-deserted. Vintage photographs add a solemn note, while an eyemask on a classic bust hints there may be revelry ahead for the mansion's mysterious inhabitants.

Spooky Tales

Pages from an old book form a textural backdrop for a pennant garland, *left*, offering a tribute to Edgar Allan Poe. Glass cloches display vintage cameras—perfect for capturing ghostly images. Various clocks tick away the time until the witching hour arrives.

* For Sources, see page 120.

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Halloween GREETINGS

Visitors are in for a treat when you hang one of these festive decorations on your front door. Whether you opt for sassy or scary, these stylish wreaths are surprisingly easy to make.

WRITTEN BY **KRISTIN SCHMITT**PHOTOGRAPHER **ADAM ALBRIGHT AND JACOB FOX**





Brimming with Fun Conjuring up this charming witch's hat wreath, right, doesn't require casting any difficult spells. Simply cut its shape from a piece of lightweight wood, and doll it up with decorative moss and ribbon.

DESIGNER: April Bartley

Paper Magic You don't need a green thumb to cultivate this blossoming door decoration, right, but a nimble hand with the glue gun will certainly help. The more perky paper petals you make, the larger this festive wreath will grow. **DESIGNER:** Marie Chorak





Attention Grabber

A coat of metallic paint gives plastic skeleton hands, *this photo*, some spunk. They've got a good grasp on doling out Halloween greetings when mounted to a chalkboard base.

DESIGNER: Vanessa Brady



INSTRUCTIONS

Boo-tiful Greeting

MATERIALS

9½-inch MDF wooden letters, "B" and "O"
Black crafts paint
8-inch plastic-foam wreath
Shatterproof ball ornaments in black, orange, green (we used approximately 60—1½-inch and 20—1-inch balls)
Hot-glue gun and glue sticks
Halloween decoration (optional)
Black tinsel garland

INSTRUCTIONS

Paint the wooden letters black; let dry completely.

Repositionable adhesive strips

Remove the caps from the ornament balls. Arrange the balls around the outer and inner edges of the wreath to estimate placement; glue each ball to the wreath using hot glue liberally. Continue to glue more balls across the front of the wreath until you achieve the look you want. You can add other Halloween decorations, such as a skeleton face, if desired. Let glue dry completely.

Wrap black tinsel garland around the wreath, tucking it in between balls to secure.

To hang, use repositionable adhesive strips.

Boo-tiful Greeting

Invite Halloween visitors to come knocking with a cheerfully spooky greeting, *left*. Fashionable oversize letters and an assortment of sparkling ball ornaments are about all it takes to assemble this graphic door decoration.

DESIGNER: Anne Harris



Made in a Pinch

Painted and arranged in traditional candy corn colors, these classic clothespins make a quick and easy wreath, *left*. No worries if wooden clothespins aren't in your laundry room supply stash these days, they're still readily available at crafts stores.

DESIGNER: Jacki Morris

* For Sources, see page 120.

Made in a Pinch

45 wooden hinged clothespins Spray paint: orange, yellow, white Cardboard Hot-glue gun and glue sticks

Clear polyurethane spray paint Black ribbon

INSTRUCTIONS

Paint 15 clothespins orange, 15 yellow, and 15 white. To paint the clothespins, clip them to a scrap piece of cardboard, leaving space in between each pin so paint will cover the clothespin edges. Apply spray paint to one side; let dry. Turn the cardboard over to paint the other side. Repeat as necessary.

Cut a 12-inch-diameter circle from a piece of sturdy cardboard. Cut a smaller circle out of the middle to create a ½-inch-wide ring. Clip the clothespins onto the cardboard ring, following the color pattern shown.

Pinch one clothespin open at a time, and put a drop of hot glue on the cardboard to secure each clothespin to the wreath form. Spray finished wreath with two coats of polyurethane; let dry between coats.

Cut a piece of ribbon to the length you want, loop it through the wreath, and hot-glue the ends together. Tie a bow from another piece of ribbon, and glue it over the seam of the hanging ribbon.



Eye Candy

MATERIALS

Serrated knife

Wax block, old candle, or bar of soap 9—2%x5%-inch foam cones

(we used Styrofoam)

Spackling knife

Lightweight spackling compound (we used Smooth Finish)

Sandpaper, medium and fine

grit finish Crafts paint: orange, white, yellow

Cardboard

Hot-glue gun and glue sticks
Decorative ribbon

INSTRUCTIONS

Run a serrated knife across a block of wax, old candle, or bar of soap. Cut each foam cone in half from top to bottom to make 18 halves.

Use a spackling knife to cover the curved front of each half cone with lightweight spackling compound, and smooth the finish as much as possible. Let dry. Sand each half cone with medium-grit sandpaper, then sand with fine-grit sandpaper for a final smooth finish. Gently wipe away loose dust.

in photo, page 22; wrap

the ends around to the

hot glue. Use a different

square buckle, and glue

it centered on top of the

back and secure with

ribbon or decorative

ornament to make a

first ribbon.

Paint each cone white; let dry. Paint the bottom third of each cone yellow; let dry. Paint the middle portion orange, and leave a white tip; let dry.

Arrange the cones in a circle to form a wreath shape. Cut a ring from sturdy cardboard that is the size of your circle and approximately 3–4 inches wide. Rearrange the cones onto the cardboard ring; secure each cone to the cardboard using hot glue.

Make a bow from decorative ribbon, and glue it to the front of the wreath as desired.

Brimming with Fun

MATERIALS

Witch Hat pattern, below Lightweight wood, such as

basswood, balsa, or thin plywood

Jigsaw

Sandpaper

Preserved moss

Hot-glue gun and glue sticks

Decorative ribbon

Decorative ornament

Attention Grabber MATERIALS

9 plastic skeleton hands

Metallic silver spray paint

9-inch-diameter chalkboard circle

Happy Halloween pattern, below

White transfer paper

Chalkboard marker

Hot-glue gun and glue sticks

INSTRUCTIONS

Enlarge the Witch Hat pattern; cut out. Trace the pattern onto a piece of lightweight wood and cut out using a jigsaw or fine handsaw. Sand to smooth any rough edges.

Arrange preserved moss to cover the entire wood hat; adhere using hot glue. Cut a piece of ribbon 3 inches longer than the width of the hat just above the brim. Position the ribbon on the hat, as shown



INSTRUCTIONS

Spray the skeleton hands with several coats of metallic silver spray paint; let dry between coats.

Enlarge the Happy Halloween pattern; cut out. Trace the pattern onto white transfer paper, and transfer it to the center of the chalkboard. Draw over the design with a chalkboard marker.

Referring to photo, *page 23*, use hot glue liberally to adhere the hands to the chalkboard in a wreath shape.





Cardboard

Cardboard tube (such as paper towel

or toilet paper tube)

Patterned scrapbook paper

Decorative spider

INSTRUCTIONS

From black cardstock, cut eighty to ninety 4×4-inch squares and ten to fifteen 3×3-inch squares. Form each square into a cone shape by folding opposite corners into each other and gluing together the overlapping edges.

Flatten the pointed end of each cone slightly to create a surface for gluing; this also adds dimension by making the cones bend slightly away from the base.

From sturdy cardboard, cut a 12-inch-diameter circle for the base of your wreath.

To create the wreath, glue paper cones to the cardboard circle, starting from the outer edge of the circle and working toward the middle. Glue one full ring around the outer edge, then stagger the next ring of cones with those in the first ring, and layer the cones as you work toward the middle. The finished look resembles the petals of a flower. Use the larger cones for most of the wreath, saving the smaller cones for the last one or two inner rings.

Continue adding cone petals to the cardboard base until there is a 4- to 5-inch-diameter circle remaining in the center.

Cut a piece of cardboard tube about 2-3 inches tall, and glue a cut end of the tube to the cardboard base in the middle of the wreath.

Cut patterned scrapbook paper into 2-inch-wide strips, and glue them end to end to create a strip that is about 20 inches long. Accordion-fold the paper strip, and shape it into a pinwheel, gluing the ends together to secure. Glue a small circle of scrap cardboard to the back of the pinwheel, then glue the pinwheel to the top of the cardboard tube in the center of the wreath. Add additional small paper cones around the pinwheel as needed. Glue spider to the pinwheel center.



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Wicked WELCOME

Looking for a spirited way to dress up your home's front entrance? Use classic colors and iconic motifs to conjure up festive friendliness with Halloween spunk—without scaring off the neighborhood trick-or-treaters.

PRODUCED BY LINDSAY BERGER WRITTEN BY KRISTIN SCHMITT PHOTOGRAPHER CAMERON SADEGHPOUR



Seasonal Stripes

Guests won't be scared to come knocking with this playful wreath, right, on the door. Simply wrap a foam wreath form with yarn, and add purchased decorations—like this glitzy spider and web.

Towering Topiaries
Frame your door with fanciful pumpkin topiaries, below. Start with a pair of urn planters and a tower of painted pumpkins (secured on a stake), then embellish with fall flowers.

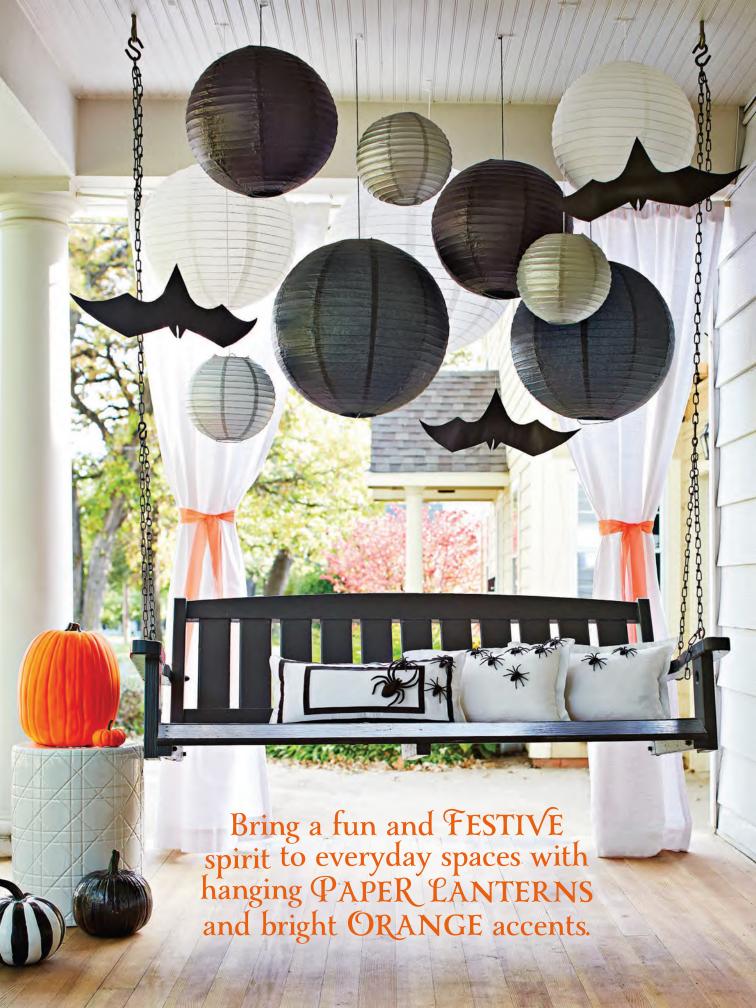


Spooky Spiderweb
Weave a web down the front walk to captivate visitors. Strips of black electrical tape transform a sidewalk or stepping-stones into a web of shapely steps, right.













Sit a Spell

Easy embellishments make this porch, opposite, ghoulishly cozy. Put painted pumpkins on display, tie up curtains with orange flagging tape, and let paper lanterns and homemade bats hover over spidery pillows for a frightfully fun look.

Creepy Crawlers

For a little silly mayhem, spook your friends with a small spider infestation. It's easy to tack the plastic fellows onto pillows on a chair or porch swing, *above*, with a dab of hot glue or a few stitches of black thread.

Wrapped in Mystery

Add the perfect finishing touch to your happy Halloween decor by wrapping porch columns or yard-light poles with a black leaf garland, *left*. Simply secure it for the season with duct tape.

* For Sources, see page 120.



Ease On In: "EEK" Banner

MATERIALS

Banner pattern, right Letter and spider patterns, far right Nonadhesive vinyl shelf liner: black and white Orange plastic flagging tape Super glue Black duct tape Thin rope

INSTRUCTIONS

Enlarge the banner and letter patterns and cut out. On black shelf liner, trace the banner pattern six times; cut out each banner. On white shelf liner, trace the E letter pattern twice, the K letter pattern once, and the exclamation mark pattern once; cut out each letter and punctuation. Trace the spider pattern onto orange flagging tape and cut out to decorate the period in the exclamation mark.

Fold over the top edge of each banner piece approximately 1 inch,



and secure with black duct tape to form a hanging pocket on the back.

Position the letters and punctuation on the front of four banner pieces toward the bottom to allow space for the decorative orange fringe; adhere the letters using glue. Cut four pieces of orange flagging tape to run across the top edge of the banner pieces. Cut slits in the tape to create fringe; adhere using glue.



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To decorate the remaining two banner pieces, cut stripes of white shelf liner and orange flagging tape to run diagonally across the banner. Cut the strips longer than needed, and adhere them to the banner using glue; trim the ends along the edge of the banner.

String a piece of thin rope through the hanging pockets on the back of each banner piece to hang the finished decoration.

Pumpkin Portraits

MATERIALS

Artificial pumpkin Spray paint: white, black, orange Painter's tape 2 frames Damage-free picture hooks (we used 3M hooks)

INSTRUCTIONS

Cut an artificial pumpkin in equal halves. Spray-paint each half white; let dry. Use tape along the natural indents of the pumpkin to mask off stripes, and spray-paint black; let dry thoroughly and remove tape. Spray-paint the picture frames orange; let dry.

Use picture hooks to hang the pumpkins and frames.

Spooky Spiderweb MATERIALS

Black electrical tape

INSTRUCTIONS

Clean off your pavers (or sidewalk), and make sure they are completely dry. Start at the corner of the paver, or sidewalk, and make a small semicircle with the electrical tape. Make a series of concentric semicircles around the first one, leaving a few inches between each circle, until you have the spiderweb size you want. Add a few straight lines, stretching from the smallest circle to the largest one, to finish the web. Add a spider in the center.

Sit a Spell: Paper Lanterns **MATERIALS**

Paper lanterns White string Hook-and-loop tape

INSTRUCTIONS

Note: It is helpful to have two people doing this project so one person can stand back and look at the position of each lantern as you hang it.

Open each lantern, and attach an extra-long string to each lantern. Hold up the lantern to see where you want it to hang and at what length. Attach the length of string you want to one of the pieces of the hook-andloop tape. Hang the other hook-andloop strip on the ceiling where you want the lantern to hang. Attach the two pieces of hook-and-loop tape to each other; cut off any extra string.



MATERIALS

14-inch-diameter plastic-foam wreath form Yarn: black and white Hot-glue gun and glue sticks Purchased Halloween decorations

INSTRUCTIONS

Use a pencil and ruler to mark even sections on the plastic-foam wreath form. Wrap each section with yarn, alternating between black and white. Start a section by hot-gluing the end of the yarn on the back of the wreath, then wrap the yarn around the wreath in a single layer, gently pushing the yarn together so the wreath form doesn't show through. At the end of each section, cut the varn and secure the end to the back of the wreath using hot glue.

Embellish the center of the wreath with a purchased Halloween decoration of your choice.

Hovering Bats

MATERIALS

Bat pattern, above Nonadhesive vinyl shelf liner: black Florists wire Black duct tape Super glue Fishing line

INSTRUCTIONS

Enlarge the bat pattern and cut out. Trace two bat shapes (for each finished bat) on black shelf liner; cut out. Lay a piece of florists wire across the wingspan of one bat cutout, stopping just short of each wing tip; secure with black duct tape. Position the other bat cutout on top, and glue the two pieces together along the edges.

Punch two holes along the lower edge of the wings. Hang with clear fishing line.

Towering Topiaries MATERIALS

3 pumpkins of descending sizes Spray paint: black and white Painter's tape Drill and drill bit Metal rebar 2 plastic planter urns Plastic-foam block Planting soil Fall bedding flowers

INSTRUCTIONS

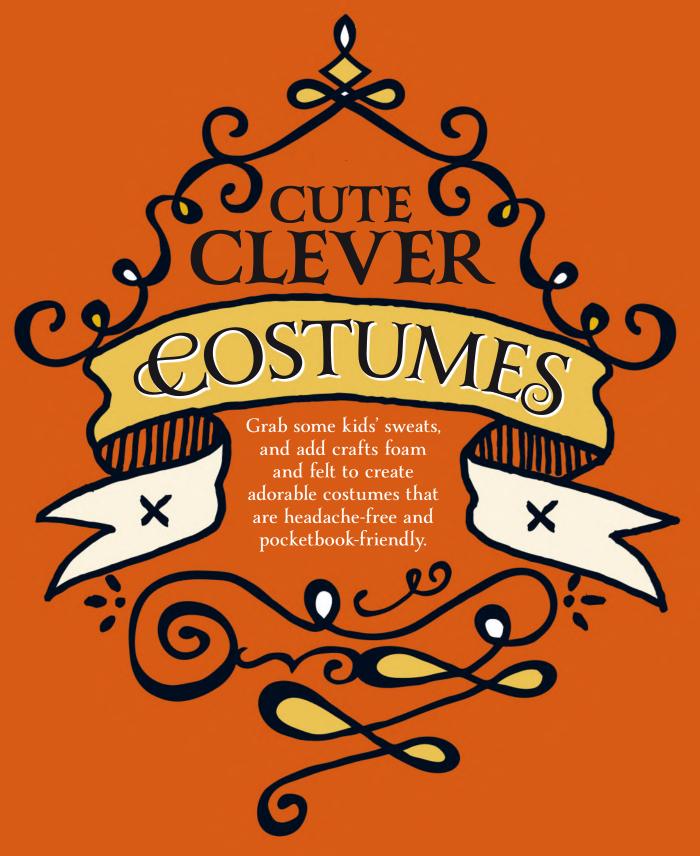
Spray-paint the medium pumpkin white; let dry. Use tape along the natural indents of the medium pumpkin to mask off stripes; spraypaint black. Let the pumpkins dry thoroughly and remove tape.

Using a drill bit one size smaller than the metal stake, drill holes through the center tops and center bottoms of the large and medium pumpkins and a hole through the center bottom of the small pumpkin.

Position the plastic-foam block in the bottom of one of the plastic urns so the large pumpkin sits at the desired height. Drill a hole in the center of the block.

Stack the planter with the plastic-foam block inside the empty planter. Twist the metal stake into the plasticfoam block. Then stack the pumpkins, largest to smallest, on the metal stake by twisting them into place for tight, stable fits. Fill the planters with soil and fall flowers.





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FROG COSTUME

MATERIALS

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Frog patterns, right
Green hooded (no zipper) sweatshirt
and green sweatpants
Felt: lime green and Kelly green
Hot-glue gun and glue sticks
Crafts foam: pink and black
Plastic fly
2—2-inch white plastic-foam balls
Green crafts paint and paintbrush

INSTRUCTIONS

Enlarge and trace the patterns onto white paper; cut out. Fold lime green felt in half. Cut the belly from lime green felt, aligning the dashed pattern line with the fold; unfold. Place the belly on the sweatshirt front, aligning the straight edge just above the waistband. Topstitch the lime green belly to the front of the sweatshirt.

From Kelly green felt, cut 10–15 circles that vary from 1 to 2 inches

in diameter. Hot-glue the circles randomly to the sweatshirt arms and to the front of the sweatpant legs.

To make the tongue: Cut the tongue from pink crafts foam. Glue the tongue to the inside of the sweatshirt neckline with the rounded end pointing out. Fold the tongue down the front of the sweatshirt, then fold it up and off to the side as shown in the photo, *opposite*; hot-glue in place. Hot-glue a plastic fly to the end of the tongue.

To make the eyes: Cut a ¼-inch slice off of each foam ball to create a flat area. Paint one half of each ball green for eyelids; let dry. Cut two ½-inch circles from black crafts foam for pupils. Hot-glue a pupil to the white area of each foam ball. Hot-glue the flat surface of each eye to the top of the sweatshirt hood.

FROG Belly Cut 1 Enlarge 300%

Enlarge 300% Tongue Cut 1

TREE COSTUME Cut Falarge 2000/

MATERIALS

Tree patterns, right
Green hooded (no zipper) sweatshirt
Brown sweatpants
Felt: light green, medium green,
dark green
Straight pins

INSTRUCTIONS

Enlarge and trace the patterns onto white paper; cut out. Cut the heart from light green felt. Cut a total of 40 assorted leaves from light green, medium green, and dark green felt.

Note: If you wish to cover the back of the sweatshirt, cut out approximately 30 more leaves.

Leaf Cut 10

TREE Heart Cut 10

Leaf Cut 10

Leaf Cut 10

Leaf Cut 10

Pin the heart to the left chest area on the sweatshirt front. Arrange the leaves as desired on the sweatshirt body, arms, and hood; pin in place. Using matching



thread, sew the heart and each leaf in place with a straight stitch lengthwise through the center of each piece.

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MATERIALS

Knight patterns, below Dark gray hooded (no zipper) sweatshirt and dark gray sweatpants Blue long-sleeve T-shirt Felt: light gray, red, yellow Crafts foam: light gray, red, yellow Hot-glue gun and glue sticks

INSTRUCTIONS

Enlarge and trace the patterns onto white paper; cut out.

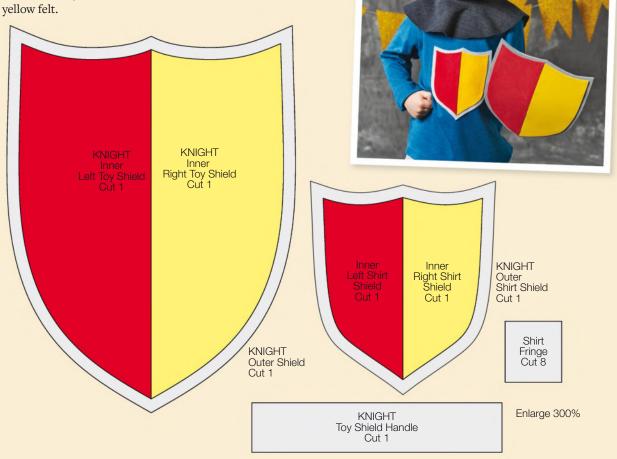
To make the knight's hood: Cut the hood from the dark gray sweatshirt about 3 inches below the neckline.

To decorate the T-shirt: Cut the outer shirt shield from light gray felt. Cut the left inner shirt shield from red felt and the right inner shirt shield from

Topstitch the outer shirt shield to the center front of the T-shirt. Place the inner shirt shield pieces on the outer shirt shield as shown in the photo, below. Topstitch the pieces in place using matching thread.

Cut eight shirt fringe pieces from light gray felt. Arrange the fringe pieces evenly along the inside bottom hem of the T-shirt; pin in place. Sew a line ½ inch from the bottom hem using blue thread, catching each fringe piece in the stitching.

To make a toy shield: Cut the outer shield and handle from light gray crafts foam. Cut the left inner shield from red crafts foam and the right inner shield from yellow crafts foam. Hot-glue the inner shield pieces to the center of the outer shield. Hot-glue each handle end to the back of the shield.





MATERIALS

Peacock patterns, below Blue hooded (no zipper) sweatshirt Orange or yellow sweatpants or leggings Large sheets of crafts foam: mint green, yellow, purple, blue Purple felt Cardboard Hot-glue gun and glue sticks 2 light brown chenille stems

INSTRUCTIONS

Enlarge and trace the patterns onto white paper; cut out.

To make the body and feathers: Cut 14 feathers and two feather bases from mint green crafts foam. Cut 14 eyespots from yellow crafts foam. Cut 14 feather hearts from purple crafts foam. Cut one chest heart from purple felt.

Lay out seven green feathers in a fanlike arrangement, overlapping the feathers slightly. Cut a semicircle from a piece of cardboard that is slightly smaller than the feather base. Hotglue the feathers to the cardboard, making sure to cover the cardboard completely; let dry.

Turn the cardboard over, and hot-glue the remaining seven green feathers in the same manner, aligning with the feathers on the opposite side. Glue a feather base to the bottom of each side to cover the overlapping straight ends of each feather.

Hot-glue a purple feather heart to each yellow feather eyespot. Glue each eyespot onto the rounded end of each feather on each side of the feather fan.

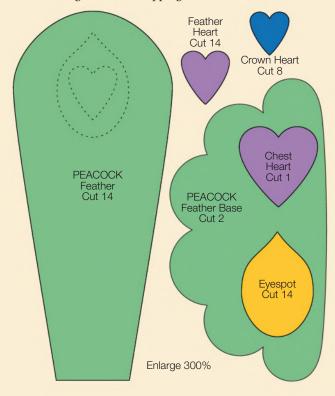
Topstitch the purple felt chest heart to the left chest area on the front of the sweatshirt.

Hot-glue the feather fan to the back of the sweatshirt, making sure to leave the hood free.

To make the crown: Cut eight crown hearts from blue crafts foam. Cut two brown chenille stems to 6 inches long. Holding the stems together, twist once in the middle. Hot-glue two crown hearts to each stem end, sandwiching the end between the hearts.

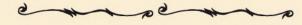
Hand-sew over the twisted portion of the chenille stems to secure the crown to the top of the hood. Bend the stems so the crown stands up on top of the head when the hood is up.







NOTE: The patterns are scaled to fit sizes 2T-5T sweatshirts and sweatpants. Adjust pattern sizes as needed for other clothing sizes.





MATERIALS

Elephant patterns, below right Gray hooded (no zipper) sweatshirt and gray sweatpants Felt: light gray, white, dark gray Straight pins Hot-glue gun and glue sticks Cardboard paper towel tube Circus Peanuts candy

INSTRUCTIONS

To make the ears: Enlarge and trace the patterns onto white paper; cut out. Cut two outer ears from light gray felt and two inner ears from white felt. Topstitch an inner ear to each outer ear, with the straight edges aligned and reversing one set.

Fold the top of each ear down 2 inches. Align the folded straight edges and pin in place. Pin each ear 2 inches from the hood edge with the folded edge at the top and the white inner ear facing forward. Topstitch each ear in place along the straight edge, catching the folded edges in the seam.

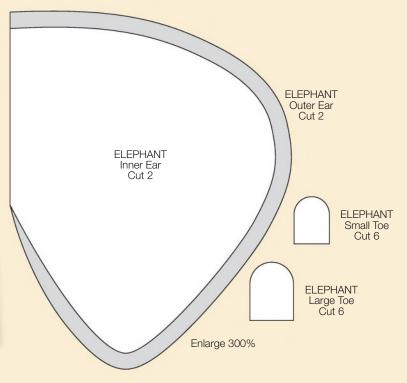
To make the toes: Cut six large toes and six small toes from white felt. Hot-glue three large toes to the bottom front hem of each sweatpants leg. Hot-glue three small toes around the hem of each sweatshirt sleeve.

To make the elephant trunk: Cut a cardboard paper towel tube to 9 inches long. Pinch together, and glue one end closed.

Cut a 6×13-inch piece from light gray felt. Lay the tube on the gray felt so the open tube end is aligned with the short felt end. Wrap the felt around the tube, and hot-glue in place, working slowly to make wrinkles as you go. At the flattened end of the tube, glue the felt together to form a flap that will tuck inside the sweatshirt neck. Apply a line of hot glue around the edge of the open tube end; press into a piece of dark gray felt. Let glue dry, then trim off excess felt around tube end.

Sew the flap end of the elephant trunk inside the front neckline of the sweatshirt. Hot-glue a piece of Circus Peanuts candy to the dark gray felt at the end of the trunk.







MATERIALS

Beaver patterns, below
Brown hooded sweatshirt (with zipper) and brown sweatpants
Felt: light brown and dark brown
White kitchen sponge
Brown crafts paint and paintbrush
Sheets of crafts foam: black and white
Disappearing-ink fabric pen
Hot-glue gun and glue sticks
Black permanent marker and ruler

INSTRUCTIONS

Enlarge and trace the patterns onto white paper; cut out.

To make the body: Cut one belly and one belly reversed from light brown felt. Note: If using a pullover sweatshirt without a zipper, cut the belly as one piece if desired. Sew the belly pieces to the front of the sweatshirt as shown in the photo, *page 40*, aligning the short

straight edges just above the waistband and the long straight edges on either side of the zipper.

To make the face: Cut two outer ears from a white kitchen sponge. Paint with brown crafts paint; let dry.

Cut the cheeks and two inner ear pieces from light brown felt. Cut the nose and two pupils from black crafts foam. Cut two eyes and the teeth from white crafts foam.

Referring to the photo, *below right*, for placement, hot-glue the teeth along the top center hem of the sweatshirt hood so they extend past the hem.

Hot-glue the nose atop the center of the cheeks. Hot-glue cheeks to the hood so they overlap the teeth. Glue a pupil to the center of each eye; hot-glue the eyes to the sweatshirt hood above the cheeks. Hot-glue an inner ear to each outer ear; hot-glue the ears to the

sweatshirt hood above the eyes and slightly to the sides.

To make the tail: Cut two tail pieces from dark brown felt. Using a black permanent marker and a ruler, draw a grid of diagonal lines that are spaced 1¼ inches apart on each tail piece. Using a ¼-inch seam allowance and with right sides together, sew the tail pieces together; leave the straight edge open. Turn tail right side out. Sew the straight tail edge to the inside back of the sweatpants waistband.







Mysterious Meat Loaf Muffins

To make these ghoulish ghosts, opposite, bake meat loaf in muffin tins and top with piped purchased mashed potatoes. Tiny capers are the trick to those ominous eyes.

Hair-Raising Hoot Owls

Whoooooo wouldn't love these cute owl cookies, above? They're chocolate, after all—with candy and nut features attached with chocolate frosting.







Black Cat Pancakes

No need to fear this black cat, above, flavored with chocolate. Orange peel and a pumpkin seed stand in for the nose, while grapes and pine nuts fashion the feline's gimlet-green eyes.

Wicked Witch Hats

Conjure up these magical witch hats, *left*, by topping a chocolate cookie with cone-shape cakes. Black sugar and rolled, chewy fruit-flavor candy squares make up the trim.



Yellow-Eyed Monster
Hard-cooked egg halves, rubbed with a little ground black pepper, give eerie eyes to this marvelous mutant. A red sweet pepper half creates a kooky tongue.

Green-Eyed Spook
Partygoers will more likely take a bite than take fright at this pudgy fellow. Those beady eyes are just tasty pimiento-stuffed green olives.

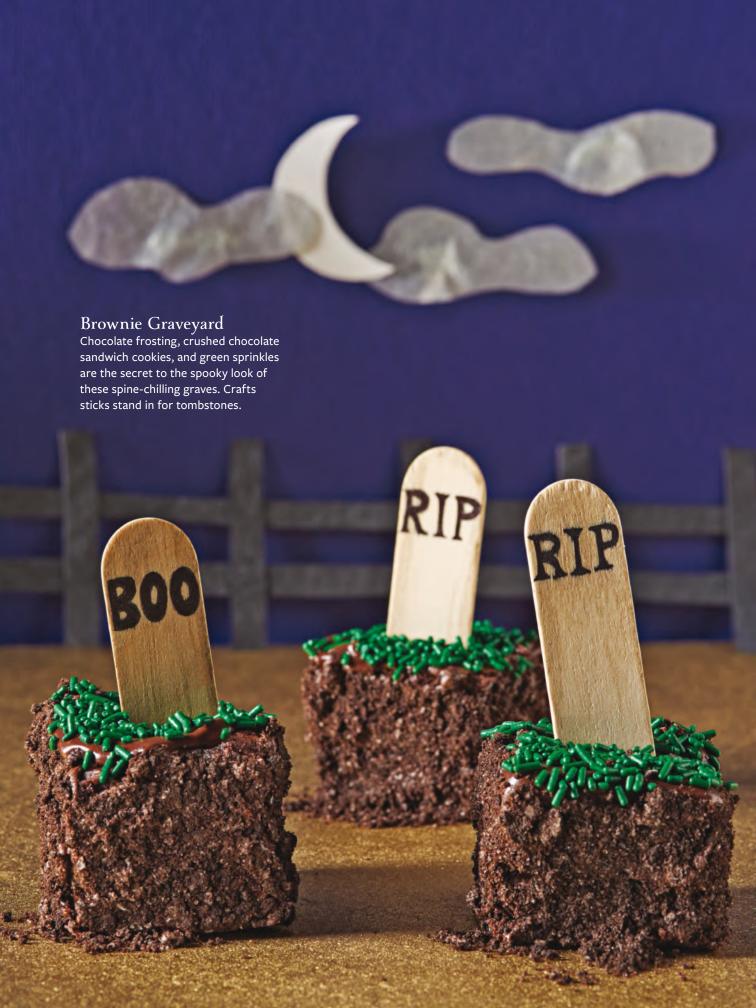


Black-Eyed Bogeyman

Jeepers creepers—how do you make those peepers? With bite-size mozzarella balls and black olive slices, that's how. Basil, provolone cheese, and tomato jazz up the middle.

Purple-Eyed Psycho

Sliced purple onion and a banana-pepper nose add an eccentric look to this cockeyed goofball, made with sliced ham and spinach on rye bread.



RECIPES

Meat Loaf Muffins

- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- ½ cup seasoned fine dry bread crumbs
- ½ cup finely chopped fresh mushrooms
- ½ cup shredded carrot (1 medium)
- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup chopped onion (1 small)
- 3 Tbsp. ketchup
- 1 Tbsp. Dijon-style mustard
- 1 Tbsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 lb. lean ground beef
- ½ cup ketchup
- 1/4 cup whole cranberry sauce
- 1 tsp. chili powder
- 1 24-oz. pkg. refrigerated mashed potatoes
- 24 capers, drained, for decorating
- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F. In a large bowl stir together eggs, bread crumbs, mushrooms, carrot, onion, the 3 tablespoons ketchup, the mustard, Worcestershire sauce, and garlic. Add ground beef; mix well.
- 2. Lightly press about 1/3 cup of the meat mixture into each of twelve $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch muffin cups. Place muffin pan on a large baking sheet. In a small bowl stir together the $\frac{1}{2}$ cup ketchup, the cranberry sauce, and chili powder. Top each meat portion with 1 tablespoon of the ketchup mixture. Let the muffins stand in pan on a wire rack 10 minutes. Using a slotted spoon, transfer muffins to a serving platter.
- 3. Bake, uncovered, about 40 minutes or until internal temperature registers 160°F on an instant-read thermometer.
- 4. Meanwhile, heat potatoes according to package directions. Using a pastry bag fitted with a large round tip, pipe potatoes into ghostlike shapes on top of each muffin. Garnish with capers for ghosts' eyes. Makes 12 muffins.

Hoot Owls

- ²/₃ cup butter, softened
- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1 egg
- 1 Tbsp. milk
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1/3 cup unsweetened cocoa powder or unsweetened dark Dutch-process cocoa powder
- 1²/₃ cups all-purpose flour Canned chocolate frosting Orange fruit gel candy slices, cut in quarters; sliced almonds, toasted; candy eyes
- 1. In a large mixing bowl beat butter with an electric mixer on medium to high speed 30 seconds. Add granulated sugar, baking powder, and salt. Beat until combined, scraping sides of bowl occasionally. Beat in egg, milk, and vanilla until combined. Beat in cocoa powder and as much of the flour as you can with the mixer. Stir in any remaining flour. Divide dough in half. Cover and chill 1 to 2 hours or until dough is easy to handle.

- 2. Preheat oven to 375° F. On a lightly floured surface roll half the dough at a time to $^{1}/_{8}$ to $^{1}/_{4}$ -inch thickness. Using 4-to 5-inch pumpkin-shape cookie cutters and 2-inch leaf-shape cutters, cut dough into desired shapes. Place cutouts 1 inch apart on ungreased cookie sheets.
- 3. Bake 7 to 8 minutes for leaf cookies or about 10 minutes for pumpkin cookies or until edges are firm and bottoms are very lightly browned. Transfer cookies to a wire rack and let cool. Using chocolate frosting, affix the orange fruit gel candy slices for the beak and feet, leaf cutouts for the wings, and sliced almonds for feathers. Let stand until set.

Makes 36 cookies.



Freaky Frankenstein

- 6 cake doughnuts
- 1 15.6-oz. can green frosting Mini semisweet chocolate pieces Mini marshmallows, halved Chocolate-flavor sprinkles Bite-size chocolate-covered peanut butter cups Layered chocolate mint candies Marshmallows, cut into quarters Black licorice wheels, cut as needed



- 1. Trim each doughnut so two sides and the bottom are flat, leaving a rounded edge for the top of the head. Place frosting in a microwave-safe bowl and microwave 10 to 20 seconds or until just melted; stir until smooth.
- 2. Using a fork, dip the doughnuts, one at a time, into melted frosting, turning to coat completely. Place on waxed paper until cool and nearly set.
- 3. To decorate, once frosting is cool but before it's set, push mini chocolate pieces into mini marshmallows; press into frosting for eyes. Arrange chocolate sprinkles to form a scar, peanut butter cups to form the bolts, and chocolate mint candies for the teeth. Line the top of the head with marshmallow quarters and black licorice wheels for the hair.

 Makes 6 monsters.

RECIPES

Black Cat Pancakes

- 1½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1/3 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- ½ tsp. salt
- 1 egg, lightly beaten
- 2½ cups buttermilk or sour milk
 - 3 Tbsp. vegetable oil
 - 1 tsp. vanilla
 Green grapes, pine nuts, pumpkin
 seeds (pepitas), and shredded
 orange peel
- 1. Preheat oven to 200°F. In a large bowl combine flour, cocoa powder, sugar, baking soda, and salt. In another bowl combine egg, buttermilk, oil, and vanilla. Stir buttermilk mixture into flour mixture until slightly lumpy.
- 2. Heat a lightly greased griddle or heavy skillet over medium heat until a few drops of water dance across the surface. Reduce heat to medium-low. For each pancake, pour ½ cup batter into a cat shape onto griddle (or use cat-shaped Halloween pancake molds). Cook 2 to 3 minutes per side or until lightly browned; turn pancakes when tops are bubbly and edges are slightly dry. Keep pancakes warm in oven. Before serving, slice grapes in half, and trim rounded side of each half to allow grape to stay flat on pancake. Garnish with grapes and pine nuts for the eyes, a pumpkin seed for the nose, and shredded orange peel for the whiskers. Makes 18 pancakes.



Wicked Witch Hats

- 3/4 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 28 6-oz. heavy-duty paper snow cone cupsDried beansHeavy foil
- 1 pkg. 2-layer-size white or yellow cake mix
- 1 to 2 cans chocolate frosting
- 14 3- to 4-inch purchased chocolate cookies Black decorating sugar Orange and yellow chewy fruit-flavored squares
- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Adjust oven racks so you can bake these on the lowest rack. Stack snow cone cups to make 14 double-layer cups. Fill fourteen 2½-inch muffin cups with dried beans. Cover pan with heavy foil. (You may need to bake half at a time if you have only one muffin pan.) Press down foil so you can see the impressions of the round muffin cups. Using the tip of a sharp knife, make a slit in the foil over the center of each muffin cup. Place a double-layer snow cone cup, point side down, in each of the slits. Set aside.
- 2. Prepare cake mix batter according to package directions. Spoon batter into snow cone cups, filling each about half full (½ cup). Bake about 25 minutes or until a wooden toothpick inserted in centers comes out clean. Cool cakes in muffin cups on wire racks 10 minutes. Remove from muffin cups. Invert cakes and cool completely on wire racks. Carefully peel paper cups away from cakes. Trim rounded tops of cakes so they will sit flat on the cookies.
- 3. Spread a small amount of frosting on the center of each cookie; top with a cake. Spread cakes with frosting, spreading as smooth as possible. Sprinkle with black sugar.



- 4. To make ribbons, place an orange candy on waxed paper. Microwave on 100% power (high) 5 seconds or until softened. Knead warm candy; form into a long strip that is 6 to 7 inches long. Use a rolling pin to roll into an even thickness $(1/_{16}$ inch thick). Trim the edges smooth with a knife to make a ribbon that is $\frac{1}{2}$ inch wide. Wrap ribbon around the base of the cone-shaped cake. Repeat with remaining orange candies; reserve trimmings for center of buckle.
- 5. To make buckles, soften yellow candies as directed above. Knead together warm candy and roll to $^{1}/_{16}$ inch thick. Cut into $^{3}/_{4}$ -inch squares. Attach to ribbon of the hat using a small amount of frosting. Cut $^{3}/_{8}$ -inch squares out of the remaining orange candy and attach to center of yellow buckle with frosting.

Makes 14 hats.

Fudgy Brownies

- ½ cup butter
- 3 oz. unsweetened chocolate, coarsely chopped
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- ²/₃ cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 tsp. baking soda
- 11/4 cups canned chocolate frosting
 - 6 Tbsp. crushed chocolate sandwich cookies Green sprinkles
- 6 crafts sticks, cut to desired lengths and decorated as desired

- 1. In a medium saucepan heat and stir butter and unsweetened chocolate over low heat until smooth; set aside to cool. Preheat oven to 350°F. Line an 8×8×2-inch baking pan with foil, extending foil over edges of pan. Grease foil; set pan aside.
- 2. Stir sugar into cooled chocolate mixture. Add eggs, one at a time, beating with a wooden spoon just until combined. Stir in vanilla. In a small bowl stir together flour and baking soda. Add flour mixture to chocolate mixture; stir just until combined. If desired, stir in nuts. Spread batter evenly in the prepared pan.
- 3. Bake 30 minutes. Cool in pan on a wire rack. Use foil to lift uncut brownies from pan. Place on a cutting board; trim edges and cut into 12 bars.
- 4. To decorate, in a small microwavable bowl microwave frosting 10 to 20 seconds or just until melted; stir. For graves, frost six brownies; top each with one of the remaining brownies. Frost tops and sides of each brownie stack with melted frosting. Press crushed sandwich cookies around sides of each stack; top with green sprinkles. Insert crafts sticks into tops for headstones. **Makes 6 graves.**

Monster Bites

Green-Eyed Spook: For each sandwich, cut circles from the centers of three slices of white bread using a round biscuit cutter or cookie cutter. Spread one side of a bread circle with desired sandwich spread. Layer sliced cooked roast beef and sliced cheddar cheese atop sandwich spread. Top with another bread circle and repeat layers, topping with third bread slice. For the eyes, affix pimiento-stuffed green olives on top of sandwich with toothpicks.



Monster Bites

Black-Eyed Bogeyman:

Spread cut side of the top half of an everything bagel thin with mayonnaise. Layer fresh basil leaves, sliced provolone cheese, and sliced tomatoes on bottom halves. Replace top half of bagel thin. For the eyes, affix two bite-size fresh mozzarella balls and two black olive slices atop sandwich with toothpicks.

Monster Bites

Purple-Eyed Psycho: For each sandwich, cut one slice rye bread in half. Spread one side of a halved bread slice with yellow mustard. Layer sliced cooked ham and fresh spinach leaves over the other halved bread slice. Replace with remaining bread slice, mustard side down. For the eyes and nose, affix red onion slices and bottled hot or mild banana peppers, drained and patted dry, to the top of the sandwich with toothpicks.



Monster Bites

Yellow-Eyed Monster: For each sandwich, spread one side of a whole wheat bread slice with desired sandwich sauce. Layer sliced cooked turkey breast, lettuce, and sliced red onion over sandwich spread and position a sliced miniature red sweet pepper half in the center of sandwich for the tongue. Top with another bread slice. For the eyes, halve one peeled hardcooked egg; gently rub center of yolk with ground black pepper to resemble pupils. Affix eggs on top of sandwich with toothpicks.





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Your party will be the talk of the neighborhood—and easy as can be—when you pull together the theme by dressing up your home with our free printables.



Invitation Surprise

Kids will delight in lifting the flap door on this darling and customizable doghouse invitation, above. Open the door for party details!

Adopt-a-Favor

Let each child "adopt" a puppy or kitten to take home with them, right. For carriers, cut a doggy-size door in papier-mâché birdhouses, and fill spray-painted apple baskets with yarn to create cozy cat nests.













Yarn-Ball Cake Pops

Drizzle frosting over cake pops to create miniature yarn-ball treats, *above left*, and add spooky frosting spiders to make your kids howl with delight.

Dining Details

Add some creativity to lunch, above, with finger sandwiches in the shapes of kitty heads and dog bones. Layer bread, lunchmeat, and cheese; cut with cookie cutters to create the shaped sandwiches. Black olive slices (held in place with cream cheese) make great accents as spiders and kitten eyes.

Collar Tag Cookies

Save tons of time by ordering baked goods that coordinate perfectly with your party theme, *left*.



Give a NEW SPIN to tried-and-true games—our printables help all your activities fit your theme.

Coloring Capers

Printable coloring books and easy-to-make crayons are cute, creative ideas that please both as party activity and take-home goodies—all on a budget, *opposite*.

Pin & Play

Hand out paper yarn-ball cutouts to blindfolded guests for a playful game of Pin the Yarn Ball on the Kitten, *right*. Our printable poster and playing pieces make setup simple for this fun twist on a traditional party game.

Cute & Competitive

It's kittens vs. puppies in this yarn-ball target game, below. Wrap plastic-foam balls with yarn for the ball toss, and use dog bowls to keep things organized. A dog bone garland and hat-topped puppy statues are small details that pull the theme together.











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Party Animal Decor

- DIY Doghouse Paper Wrap
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- Miniature Witches Hats
- Puppy and Kitten Collar Tags
- Dog Bone Garland
- Dog Bone and Paw Print Circles Garland
- Kitten Silhouette Cutouts

Dressed-Up Dining

- Food Decorations
- Lollipop Flags
- Food Container Decals
- Kitty and Puppy Chow Labels
- Straw Embellishments

Games

- Pin the Yarn Ball on the Kitten Game
- Yarn Ball Toss Targets
- Yarn Ball Toss Sign

Coloring Activity

Coloring and Puzzle Book

Take Home Favors

Goody Bag Toppers

Clever Costumes

Puppy and Kitty Ears

General Instructions

Print out the downloads you want, and trim to size. Unless otherwise noted, we recommend using white #100 cardstock for printing. Use label paper for printing signs to be adhered to bottles and jars. Cut out downloads using scissors or a crafts knife. Intricate areas are best cut with small detail scissors. Use a paper trimmer for straight lines. When possible, use circle punches to cut circular shapes.



Doghouse Invitation

MATERIALS

Printable invitation Cardstock ½-inch hole punch Small brads 5x5- or 5x7-inch envelope

INSTRUCTIONS

Print invitations, and cut out. Punch a hole in each invitation and doghouse door. Fill out party details on invitations. Attach each door to a doghouse using a small brad.







Dog Bone Garlands

MATERIALS

Cardstock
Printable dog bone and
paw print circle designs
Hole punch
Yarn
Hot-glue gun and glue sticks
Small bells

INSTRUCTIONS

Print dog bones or paw print circles on cardstock, and cut out. Punch small holes in the top left and right corners of each dog bone or circle; string together using yarn, alternating between circles and bells. Use hot glue to attach plastic spiders to yarn between dog bones.

Puppy and Kitty Ears

MATERIALS

Plastic spiders

Puppy and kitty ear patterns 8½x11-inch felt: white, black, orange, gray
Black headbands
Hot-glue gun and glue sticks

INSTRUCTIONS

Print and cut out pattern. Trim ears from felt using pattern; attach to headband using hot glue.

For puppy ears: Adhere felt ears to side of headband, wrapping edges under for a finished look. Embellish with felt dots for spotted ears.

For kitten ears: Layer two triangles of felt, and hot-glue together. Attach to

top of headband so they point upright when worn.





Adoptable Puppy Doghouse

MATERIALS

Papier-mâché birdhouse Spray paint: black and orange Hot-glue gun and glue sticks Printable "Puppy" dog bone Double-stick tape Toy puppy

INSTRUCTIONS

Remove the roof from the birdhouse, and spray-paint black. Spray-paint house orange. After paint dries, hot-glue roof back onto house. Print and cut out dog bone printable; use double-stick tape to attach bone to front of house.

Adoptable Kitten Basket

MATERIALS

Small basket with handle
Gray spray paint
Orange rickrack
Orange yarn
Small bells
2-inch circle crafts punch
Printable "Kitty" logo
Toy kitten



INSTRUCTIONS

Spray-paint basket gray. After paint dries, trim with rickrack. Fill basket with loose yarn. Tie a bell around the kitten's neck with yarn. Print and punch out "Kitty" logo; tie with yarn around handle of basket. Add bell to yarn, and tie a bow.



Cardboard Doghouse

MATERIALS

Printable doghouse pattern 20x20x24-inch cardboard box (available at office supply stores) Hot-glue gun and glue sticks Crafts knife Double-stick tape 20x30-inch black foam-core board

INSTRUCTIONS

Print pattern, and trim with scissors. Construct box, leaving top flaps unfolded and standing up straight. Along one of the top flap edges, measure and mark a dot in its center. Draw diagonal lines from this point to the left and right bottom corners of the flap, creating a triangle. Repeat measuring and drawing triangle on the opposite flap. Trim the cardboard to create the peaks at the front and back of doghouse.

Using the orange-and-white striped paper printable, wrap three sides of the box; use double-stick tape or hot glue to secure. Trim excess paper. Cut out the printable for the front of the doghouse (orange stripes with spiderweb), and adhere to the front panel of the box. Trim excess paper. Use crafts knife to trim the front dog door. Attach black foam-core board to the top of the house using hot glue. Tape or glue the black-and-gray polkadot patterned printout to the roof of the doghouse, and trim.

Pin the Yarn Ball on the Kitten

MATERIALS

Printable 20x30-inch game poster Printable yarn-ball cutouts Double-stick tape Fabric (for a blindfold)

INSTRUCTIONS

Print poster, and mount on a wall. Print yarn balls, and trim with scissors. Place double-stick tape on the backs of yarn balls. Blindfold each player; spin around three times. Give each player a yarn ball to place on the kitten. Direct them toward the board as they try to place their yarn-ball piece on top of the yarn-ball image on the poster.



Yarn-Ball Toss

MATERIALS

Printable 20x30-inch yarn ball toss poster Crafts knife 3—20x30-inch foam-core boards Double-stick tape Hot-glue gun and glue sticks Yarn-covered plastic-foam balls

INSTRUCTIONS

Print yarn-ball toss posters. Mount posters onto foam core using double-stick tape. Use crafts knife to cut the center holes of the posters and foam core.

To stand up targets, use triangleshape pieces of foam core and hotglue one to the back of each target. Use yarn-covered plastic-foam balls to throw at targets.



Shaped Crayons

MATERIALS

Crayons: orange, black, gray Paper cups Dog bone and kitty paw candy mold

INSTRUCTIONS

Soak crayons in water for one hour to help labels peel off. Microwave crayons of similar color in a microwaveable paper cup for 3-4 minutes. Pour melted wax into mold. Let sit for 5 minutes or until the wax is hard and cool, then pop crayons out of the mold.

S'mores Goody Bag

MATERIALS

Dark chocolate melting discs Dog bones candy mold Cellophane bags Mini marshmallows Graham crackers Printable bag topper

INSTRUCTIONS

Melt chocolate in microwaveable bowl in 30-second increments until smooth. Spoon melted chocolate into dog bone mold; tap on counter to distribute evenly. Let cool in freezer or refrigerator. Once cool, remove gently from molds.

Package all ingredients in cellophane bags, and fold down tops of bags twice. Tape shut. Fold printable bag toppers, and tape one across the top of each bag.

1903 These gourds dress to impress! Fashion fabulously fetching pumpkins that light up the night, make spooky statements, and dazzle with sparkly paint and fairy-tale-worthy designs. PRODUCED BY JAN CARLSON WRITTEN BY ANN WILSON PHOTOGRAPHER JAY WILDE Bright-Idea Lanterns Draw guests to your door with lanternlike pumpkins, this photo, atop tall candlesticks. Creative cutouts reveal flickering candle flames inside. BHG.com/TricksTreats 7







Getting Glitzy
Boost the bling in your landscape with three painted pumpkins accented with silver-leaf letters, above, that shout out a Halloween greeting.

Sweet Wheels

No magic wand necessary. With a few embellishments, you can turn a pumpkin and gourds into Cinderella-worthy transportation, opposite.





Webbed Wonders

Embellish painted pumpkins with a mix of spooky shapes, above, for a festive look. Use crafts nails and contrasting-hued strings to form the shapely spiderwebs.

* For Sources, see page 120.



Bright-Idea Lanterns

MATERIALS

3 pumpkins, hollowed out Knife or carving tools Spray paint: matte white Lantern patterns, above Black acrylic paint Artists paintbrushes **Toothpicks** 3 votive candles 3 tall candlesticks Hot-glue gun and glue sticks

INSTRUCTIONS

Note: When cleaning out the pumpkins, cut the openings on what will be the backs of the finished pumpkins. Secure the back pieces with toothpicks once the pumpkins are finished.

Paint pumpkins white; let dry. Trace lantern patterns, enlarge as needed and cut out. Place a pattern on each pumpkin, and trace with a pencil. Cut away the interior sections of the lanterns. Using a paintbrush, paint lanterns black. Let dry.

Insert a votive through the hole in each pumpkin. Set pumpkins on tall candlesticks, securing with hot glue.



Webbed Wonders

MATERIALS

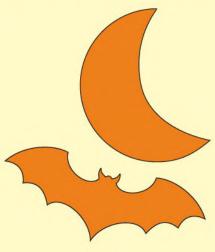
Moon and bat patterns, right 2 pumpkins Acrylic paints: black and white Assorted artists paintbrushes Crafts nails String: white and black

INSTRUCTIONS

Trace the moon and bat patterns, enlarge as needed, and cut out. Place one pattern on each pumpkin, and trace with pencil.

Paint the moon pumpkin black, leaving the moon shape unpainted. Paint the bat pumpkin white, leaving the bat shape unpainted. Let dry.

Hammer crafts nails 1/4 inch apart around the edges of the moon and bat. Make sure the nails are slightly above the pumpkin surface so you can wrap string around the nails. For the moon, tie white string to one nail, then randomly loop the string around the nails to create a webbed surface. Finish by looping the string around adjacent nails to create an outline. Repeat for the bat figure using black string.



Bowl Me Over

MATERIALS

Orange and white pumpkins

Pumpkin scoop

Knife or carving tools

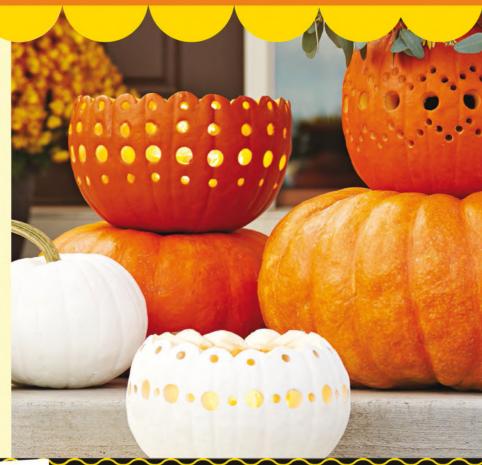
Scallop pattern, above

Power drill and assorted drill bits

INSTRUCTIONS

Cut off the top of each pumpkin; make sure the lower section (bowl) has a straight edge. Scoop out the inside of the pumpkin.

Cut out the scallop pattern, and enlarge to fit each pumpkin diameter. Align the scalloped side of the pattern with the bowl's top edge; use a pencil to trace scallops onto the pumpkin. Cut along the scalloped line. Using the drill and different-size bits, create lacework patterns on each pumpkin.





Ooh La La!

MATERIALS

2 pumpkins

White acrylic paint

Artists paintbrushes

"Spooky" and "Hoot" patterns, right

White artificial eyelashes

Hot-glue gun and glue sticks

INSTRUCTIONS

Paint the pumpkin stems and upper sections white; let dry. Trace the patterns, enlarge as needed, and cut out. Place a pattern on each pumpkin, and trace with a pencil. Using a small brush, fill in the letters with white paint. Let dry. Use hot-glue to attach eyelashes above each "O."

Getting Glitzy

MATERIALS

3 pumpkins in stackable sizes "Boo" pattern, *right*Quart flat dark gray latex paint Assorted artists paintbrushes Silver-leaf metallic sheets
Metal-leaf brush-on adhesive
Metal-leaf sealer
%-inch nickel hammered
decorative tacks



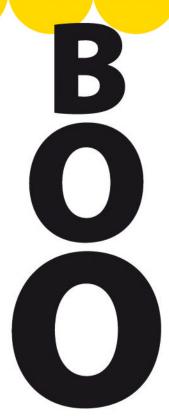
INSTRUCTIONS

Paint the pumpkins gray; let dry.

Trace the letter patterns, enlarge as needed, and cut out. Center the "B" on the smallest pumpkin, and trace. Center an "O" on both the midsize and largest pumpkins, and trace.

Working on one letter at a time, brush metal-leaf adhesive inside the outline. Let it dry for 15 minutes. Gently place a silver-leaf sheet over the adhesive. Using a soft bristle brush, lightly brush the silver leaf in place. Continue to lightly brush until no excess leaf remains. Repeat for remaining letters; let dry. Gently brush silver-leaf letters with sealer; let dry.

Outline each letter with decorative tacks. Stack the pumpkins.



Sweet Wheels

MATERIALS

Pumpkin Toothpicks 4 same-size pumpkin gourds Metallic silver spray paint 2—2-inch round silver frames 21/2-inch square silver frame Glass doorknob 5—1½-inch washers with ½-inch centers Adhesive gems and swirls Power drill and assorted drill bits 2-foot length of 1/4-inch-diameter wooden dowel 4 small glass drawer pulls Roll of strap metal Silver duct tape

INSTRUCTIONS

Note: When cleaning out the pumpkin, cut the opening on what will be the back of the finished pumpkin. Secure the back piece with toothpicks once the pumpkin is finished.

Spray-paint the pumpkins and gourds silver; let dry.

Align the frames on the front of the pumpkin, and trace the outlines with a pencil. Cut out the shapes. Remove the frame backs. Fit the frames and their glass inserts into the matching openings, and push into the pumpkin to secure.

Set a glass doorknob on top of a washer set in the center of the

pumpkin. Screw the doorknob into the pumpkin. Decorate the pumpkin with adhesive gems and swirls.

Drill ¼-inch holes through each gourd's vertical center. Measure the depth of each pair of gourds, add four inches to that measurement, and cut a dowel to that length for each set of wheels. Drill a ¼-inch hole into both ends of both dowel pieces. Slide a dowel through the center holes in the two gourds. Screw a small glass drawer pull and washer to each dowel end. Repeat for the second set of wheels. Embellish the wheels.

To build the chassis, cut two pieces of strap metal to the width of the pumpkin plus 6 inches. Fold the edges of the strap metal over the wooden dowels. Wrap the strap-metal chassis with silver duct tape to make a secure bed for your pumpkin coach.



Gittering

Treat grown-up guests to a glamorous black-and-gold Halloween affair you can whip together in a flash-leaving more time and energy for mingling. There are only a few rules for this glittering evening: Eat, drink, and be somewhat scary!

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Go glam instead of ghoulish

this Halloween with a hauntingly high-style cocktail party. Inspired by Hollywood's toniest black-tie affairs, it perfectly pairs sophisticated, gold-accented decorations with the traditional trappings of Halloween, such as spiders, skeletons, and somber floral displays worthy of any mausoleum.

The best part? This party is eerily easy to prepare. Take the refreshments, for example. No baking needed; simply order a fondant-covered cake topped with edible gold leaf to headline the buffet table. Stock the bar with spirits bottled in black and gold (St. Germain Elderflower and Domaine de Canton Ginger, for example), or use moody Black Sambuca to create a signature cocktail that's frighteningly perfect for the evening. Make a charcuterie platter, grilled asparagus,

and other appetizers in advance; they're all delicious at room temperature.

Making the decorations is equally stress-free. Quickly craft black and gold flowers from crepe paper. In less than an hour, you can spray-paint candlesticks, pumpkins, and leaves in black and metallic gold to decorate the party room and entry. Snip paper feathers to make a glittering garland, and string plastic spiders to create a humorously hair-raising mobile.

Encourage guests to wear cocktail attire, and send along a paper flower boutonniere and bow tie with your computer-printed invitation (visit *BHG.com/GalaInvite* for the free download). Your guests are sure to love immersing themselves in Halloween's Golden Age. And you'll love how easy it is to set the stage in style.



Daring Door Decor

Add a little thrill to your threshold with a cheesecloth-and-thread spiderweb, left. The simple yet classy "Enter" sign is topped with gold-leafed letters to set the party's glamorous tone.

Pumpkin Greetings

Surprise guests with a display of sparkling pumpkins and a crow skeleton, below left. Spray pumpkins with gold metallic, gold glitter, matte cream, or black chalkboard paint, then use a gold chalk marker to write "Welcome" on a feather from our easy-tomake paper garland.

Puttin' on the Glitz

Intrigue friends with a rolled-up invitation secured by a fancy spider ring, below. Send the scroll in a box with a crepe-paper bow tie and a handmade flower that your guests can wear to the Golden Age of Halloween cocktail party.

















Tempting Antipasto Platters

A carefully edited antipasto plate that combines cheeses, meats, fruit, and nuts is easy to create—and sure to please. Here's how to create a tray that promises to be the hit of the party.

Plan to serve at least three to five different cheeses (or more for a larger crowd). Stronger cheeses, such as blue cheese and goat cheese, will probably go farther since guests will usually take less per serving.

Vary the textures and flavors of cheese. A good rule is to choose at least one semisoft cheese, such as Monterey Jack, Muenster, or Havarti; one soft-ripened (brie or Camembert) or blue cheese; and one firm cheese, such as a Gouda, cheddar, or Parmigiano-Reggiano. Try to include a mixture of goat's, cow's, and sheep's milk cheeses.

Serve cheese with several different types of crackers and/or breads. Add almonds or other nuts, olives, and fresh fruit, such as grapes and berries. You also can add cured meats, such as sausage and prosciutto. Chunks of honeycomb are a wonderful addition, too—they pair especially well with blue cheese and cheese with a nutty flavor.

Deliciously Double-Dipped

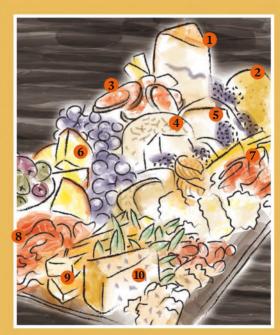
Celebrate autumn as well as Halloween with perfectly ripe pears dipped in caramel sauce and melted chocolate, *far left*.

Frightfully Good Finger Food

Add a little sizzle to your Halloween spread with prosciutto-wrapped asparagus spears, *left*. Just toss asparagus with extra-virgin olive oil, salt, and pepper, then wrap with prosciutto slices and grill for about 10 minutes. Serve at room temperature.

Scrumptious Small Bites

Add Halloween hues to the menu by setting out crostini topped with ricotta cheese mixed with either Concord grapes, honey, and walnuts or butternut squash and sprigs of sage, *left*.



Antipasto Platter Ingredients

- 1. Douanier cheese
- 2. Aged Gouda cheese
- 3. Dry-cured sausage
- 4. Fleur du Maquis cheese
- 5. Valencay Chèvre cheese
- 6. Petit Basque cheese
- 7. Prosciutto
- 8. Coppa (Italian pork)
- 9. Mimolette cheese
- 10. Valdeon Blue cheese









Succulents and Skeleton Keys

Give your piano a paranormal point of view by perching a shrieking raven atop a tumble of succulents, *above*. Pose the distinguished Earl of Bones (in top hat and tails, of course) at the keyboard.

Golden Garland

A paper-feather garland in glittering gold with black accents, above right, anchors an ominous mantel display.

Conversation Starter

An arachnid-laden mobile, *right*, offers a suitably creepy accent for any room. Draw all eyes its way by seating a fashionable skeleton in a nearby easy chair. He's sure to be the afterlife of your party.

* For Sources, see page 120.





Daring Door Decor: Spiderweb

MATERIALS

Extra-fine weave cheesecloth Lightweight iron-on interfacing Repositionable spray

adhesive Black perle cotton thread

Miniature adhesive dots

Plastic spider

Double-sided adhesive strips



Cut a piece of cheesecloth that is slightly larger than the window of your front door. Iron interfacing to the back of the cheesecloth, then cut the fabric to the size you want.

Spray the back of the cheesecloth with repositionable adhesive; let dry for several minutes. Attach the cheesecloth to the glass or door panel, smoothing out wrinkles with your fingers. (The cheesecloth can be peeled off later without leaving a residue.)

Make a spiderweb design on the top of the cheesecloth panel using perle cotton thread. Using miniature adhesive dots, attach the ends of the threads to the cheesecloth and secure any connecting areas.

Using double-sided adhesive strips, attach the spider to the top of the web.



Enter Card

MATERIALS

Enter sign pattern, above

Black cardstock

Gold-foil cardstock

Graphite transfer paper

Gold-foil adhesive

Gold-foil sheets

Double-stick tape

Adhesive dots

INSTRUCTIONS

Cut the black cardstock to a 5×7-inch rectangle. Cut the gold-foil cardstock to a $5\frac{1}{2} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rectangle.

Trace the "Enter" sign pattern, and enlarge as needed. Center it over the black cardstock rectangle with graphite transfer paper in between. Lightly trace over the word with a ballpoint pen to transfer it to the cardstock.

Apply gold-foil adhesive to the transferred design. Let dry. Place the foil sheet on top, and press it into the adhesive with your fingers, then peel away the paper. Repeat steps to fill in any empty spots.

Using double-stick tape, attach the lettered black cardstock to the gold cardstock.

Slide the finished card between the spider's legs on the spiderweb door decoration (see instructions, *left*). Using adhesive dots, attach the card to the cheesecloth panel.



Spirited Display: Cocktail Bar Banner MATERIALS

Banner pattern, above

Heavy white paper: 25 inches long

Double-stick tape

Metallic-gold spray paint

Graphite transfer paper

Black crafts paint

Liner brush

Black raven wings (available at costume stores, optional)

Damage-free hanging strips

INSTRUCTIONS

Cut a $4\frac{1}{2} \times 25$ -inch strip of paper. Fold both ends of the strip underneath so it measures 19 inches long. Secure the ends with tape.

Cut two $4\frac{1}{2} \times 8$ -inch strips of paper, and attach them to the back of the folded strip with tape as shown in the photograph, page 83. Using scissors, notch the ends of the added strips to create a banner shape. Spray-paint the banner using metallic-gold spray paint; let dry.

Trace the banner pattern, and enlarge as needed. Center the word "Imbibe" over the banner with a piece of graphite transfer paper in between. Lightly trace over the word with a ballpoint pen to transfer it to the banner. Using a liner brush, fill in the letters with black crafts paint that has been diluted with a little water. Let dry.

Display the banner on top of the raven wings (as shown), or attach to wall with damage-free hanging strips.

GARLAND Fold

Golden Garland

MATERIALS

Feather pattern, above Paper: metallic gold and black Gold vellum Gold glitter wrapping paper Florists wire: gold Black florists tape Clear tape Spool of cloth-covered florists wire: white

INSTRUCTIONS

Trace the feather pattern, and cut out. Use the pattern to cut feathers from all metallic, vellum, and wrapping paper. The number of feathers you'll need depends on the length of the garland; plan on using about 12-15 feathers per linear foot.

Fold the feathers in half lengthwise. Using the pattern as a guide, make cuts along the sides of each feather.

Cut 5-inch pieces of gold florists wire. Attach the wire to the back of each feather—along the fold line—using clear tape. The wire should extend about twothirds of the way up the feather; some wire will extend from the bottom. Bend the wired feather into a gentle arc to create a feeling of movement. Repeat steps to make more feathers.

Gather feathers in groups of three, alternating paper types. Using black florists tape, attach the first group of feathers to white florists wire you have unwound from the spool. Tape down the length of the exposed wires. Place the next group of feathers beneath the first set to create an overlap. Tape in place using black florists tape. Repeat the steps, unrolling white florists wire as you go along until the length you want is achieved. Cut the excess florists wire. Shape feathers as desired.

Conversation Starter: Spiderweb Mobile

MATERIALS

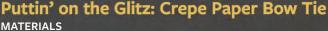
200+ plastic spider rings Needle tool Wire-rim spiderweb: 81/2-12 inches in diameter Black string Metallic-gold embroidery floss

INSTRUCTIONS

Cut the rings off the spiders. Using a needle tool, make a hole in the center of each spider's body.

Hang the wire-rim spiderweb from a doubled piece of black string attached to the ceiling. Tie a length of metallic-gold embroidery floss to the middle of the web. Begin threading spiders onto the floss, tying a knot directly beneath each spider as you string it. Leave several inches of floss between one spider and the next.

Adding one length of floss at a time, work your way out from the middle of the web to the wire rim. Make your mobile 3–5 rows deep, starting in the middle.



Black crepe paper Quick-setting gel glue (we used Beacon 3-in-1 Glue) 16-inch length 1/2-inch-wide elastic: black

INSTRUCTIONS

Cut a 6×15-inch strip of crepe paper with the grain running parallel to the long edge. Cut a $2\times2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch piece of crepe paper with the grain running parallel to the 2-inch side.

Fold the 15-inch-long crepe-paper strip in half so it measures 3×15 inches. Use glue to adhere the long edges together. Let dry.

Bring the short edges together in the center of the 15-inch-long strip's back; pinch together in the middle to form a bow tie shape. Fold the second piece of crepe

paper onto itself, and glue the edges together as you did with the first strip. Let dry.

Glue both ends of the elastic to the back center of the bow tie, and let dry.

Wrap the short piece of crepe paper around the center of the bow tie, and glue in place on top of the elastic. Let dry.



INSTRUCTIONS

Paper Flowers: Wild Rose

MATERIALS

Wild Rose petal pattern, right Lightweight black crepe paper Black-and-white stamen stems (one set per flower) Black florists tape



INSTRUCTIONS

Trace the wild rose petal pattern, and cut out.

Cut crepe paper (with grain running vertically) into pieces slightly larger than the pattern. Group the pieces of crepe paper in stacks of five. Hold the pattern on top of a stack, then cut around the pattern to make five petals.

Curl the upper edges of the petals by wrapping them around a pencil. Gently pull the sides of each petal to create a cup shape. Arrange five petals around a stamen center, and secure them with florists tape. If desired, use 10 petals to create a fuller flower. Repeat steps to create additional florets.

















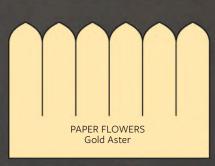
Paper Flowers: Gold Asters

MATERIALS

Gold Aster petal
pattern, right
Gold tissue paper
15 black doubleheaded stamen
filaments (one per

Black florists tape

20-gauge covered florists wire



INSTRUCTIONS

Cut the tissue paper into ten 3×20-inch strips. Trace the gold aster petal pattern, and cut out. Stack strips in two groups of five, then cut each stack into rectangles that are slightly larger than the pattern. Place the pattern on top of a rectangular stack, and hold in place. Cut around the pattern to create one petal strip. Repeat as needed to create three petal strips for each floret.

To make a floret center, fold a double-headed stamen in half. Using florists tape, attach the folded stamen to the tip of a 4-inch piece of florists wire. Repeat as needed to make one center per floret.

Gather the bottom edge of a petal strip into a fanlike shape; press it into the side of the prepared florists wire.

Repeat with two more petal strips to encircle the folded stamen. Use florists tape to secure in place, extending about an inch down the flower stem. Repeat steps to create additional florets.

Paper Flowers: Spiky Dahlia

MATERIALS

Spiky Dahlia pattern, right Black tissue paper

Bleach

Water

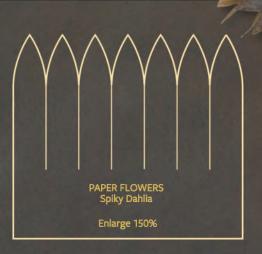
Clip-style clothespins

Hanger

Cotton-tip baby swabs

20-gauge covered florists wire

Black florists tape



INSTRUCTIONS

Cut tissue paper into 4×20-inch strips (you'll need two for each flower). Reserve excess. Stack the strips and loosely fold them—without creasing—to create a bundle. Dip one lengthwise end of the folded tissue paper into a shallow dish filled with a 1:1 mixture of bleach and water for three seconds. Lift the bundle by the dry edge, and carefully unfold. Using clothespins, clip the dry edge of the strips to a hanger, and let dry.

Trace the spiky dahlia pattern, and cut out. Separate the strips of now-dry tissue paper. Accordion-fold each strip to fit the pattern, placing folded edges so they line up with the sides of the pattern. Using scissors, cut around the pattern and unfold as if creating paper dolls. Repeat the steps with the remaining strips.

To make the flower centers, cut three cotton swabs about ½ inch below the cotton tip. For each center, slip the swab's hollow stem over a piece of florists wire and secure with florists tape. Cut two 2-inch squares of leftover tissue paper, and stack them. Place one cotton tip in the center of the tissue-paper squares. Gather the tissue around the bottom of the cotton tip, and secure with florists tape—wrapping an additional 2 inches down the wire.

Fold one strip of tissue paper in half, then gather it into a fanlike shape. Using florists tape, secure the folded strip to the tissue-covered stem of the flower center. Repeat with a second strip, taping it to the other side of the stem. Fluff petals as desired. Repeat steps to create additional florets.



MATERIALS

1-2 dahlias

6-8 wild roses

10-15 gold asters

Florists tape

Toothpicks

Black glass millinery berries

Gold leaf stickers with stems

INSTRUCTIONS

Gather completed paper flowers; cut their stems to the lengths you want. Use florists tape to attach a toothpick to the end of each stem. Tuck black millinery berries and leaf stickers in with the flowers.

Using our photo as a guide, push the toothpicks into the cake to create the topper.















sure-to-please treats.

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Juice Monsters

Use our downloadable patterns to give plain ol' juice boxes, above, a fun Halloween update. Googly eyes, silly grins, and cute glued-on toes ensure these monsters are silly—not scary.

Sweet Surprise

Even picky eaters will love these veggies! Just fill a cellophane frosting or treat bag with candy corn, right, attach our downloadable tag, and tie on a pretty ribbon.



Germ Fighters

Help kids clean up after the party or before they dig into treats—with a special germ-busting potion, above. Cardstock labels are simply stuck onto hand-sanitizer bottles with double-stick tape.

Top of the Class

Schoolwork is sure to be fun when kids get to use these one-of-a-kind writing utensils, above right. Glue colorful pom-poms onto pencil tops to create one-eyed monsters, lovable bears, or any fun character you choose.

Fresh Flavors

Transform breath-mint containers into Halloween-inspired concoctions, right. Our downloadable patterns (attached with double-stick tape) are sized just right to cover the original product labels.





No need to boil up a bubbling potion—give kids this boo-tifully easy favor instead. Wrap small bubble bottles with our cute labels, right, and you've got an instant party activity.

Trick or Treat?

Get kids giggling with these tasty take-home treats, below. Fill cellophane bags with round cheese puffs or mini marshmallows, print our labels on cardstock, and fold them over the top of the bag, then adhere them with glue.



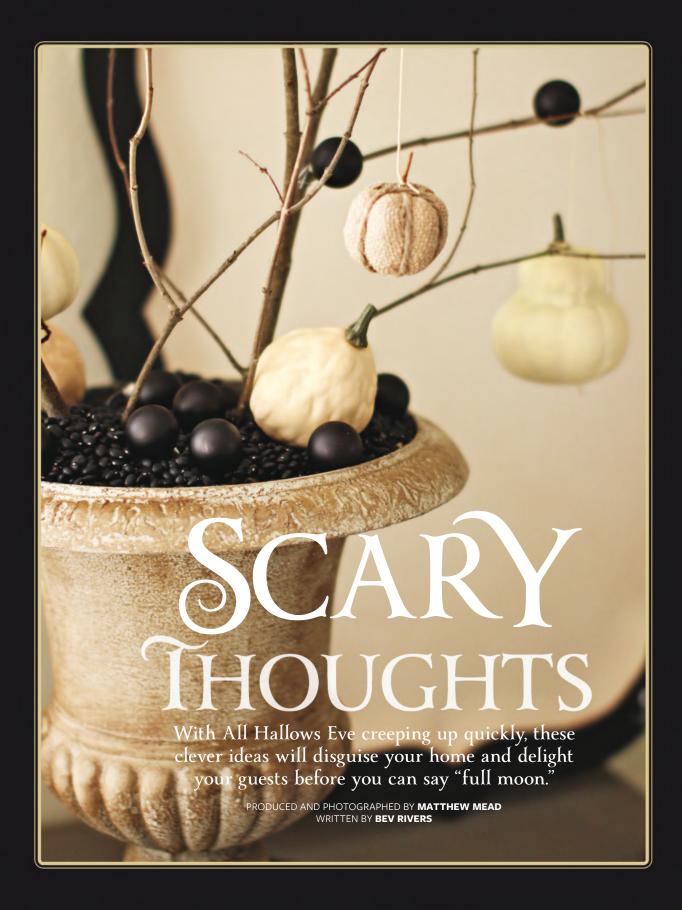




Mystery Putty

Let kids get their hands dirty with some good old-fashioned monster mush, right. Purchase containers of modeling clay, print and enlarge our labels as needed, attach with double-stick tape—and you're done!













Last Writes

The time is near—the bats and bugs are gathering for their annual soiree. Prepare your table, *above left*, with wise words and circles of black paper and buttons. Look for vintage newspapers or old books that have long lost their usefulness, and overlap them on your table. Lure critters to the festivities with a bowl of black-painted fruit.

Along Came a Spider

Weave a web of reception in the back of an outcast kitchen chair, *above*. With a handsaw, remove any remaining spindles. Then paint the chair black. With tiny nails and string, add the web pattern and a faux spider. Cut paper bats from our patterns, *page 104*, and mount them to parchment-paper window panels.

Pest Control

The highly organized colony of predators, *left*, wants to invade your bat and bug bash. All you need for this species is a block of Fimo modeling clay for each body, black crafts wire, and common household tools.







General Instructions

Laser-cut cardstock labels and tags; wooden tags and adhesive-back sticker tags come in a variety of shapes, sizes, and colors, including white, black, and brown. Check the scrapbooking department of your crafts store for options.

Download the FREE PRINTABLES

at BHG.com/ScaryFreebies

You also can use #100 cardstock sheets and label paper for printing. Create signs and labels using one of three methods.

- 1. Print out the downloads you want, and trim to size. **Note:** Labels and signs with black backgrounds are created by selecting black ink for the background spaces before printing on white paper. The appearance is that of white printing on black.
- 2. Use a variety of white letter stickers from your crafts store on black paper; use black stickers on white or brown paper. Add borders with a white or black gel pen. Both Uni-ball Signo White Gel Pen and Sakura Souffle White Gel Pen produce a strong opaque white-on-black ink mark.
- 3. Freehand-draw words, letters, and designs on black paper with a white gel pen or on white or brown paper with a black pen.

Instructions for specific projects are listed below.

Skeleton-Key Garland: Ghastly Gruel Containers

MATERIALS

Label artwork from *BHG.com/ScaryFreebies* Matte brochure paper: black and white

Sticker labels and tags

White gel pen

White chalk

Double-stick tape

INSTRUCTIONS

Download label artwork, print your own words from your computer, or purchase letter stickers from a crafts store. Refer to General Instructions, above, for guidance.

Cut out and adhere the word labels, or position the letter stickers on the paper or tag. Add whimsical borders using a white gel pen; let dry. Distress each label with white chalk.

Using double-stick tape, adhere each label to a container.

Skeleton-Key Garland

MATERIALS

Laser-cut wooden keys

Black spray paint

Black cardstock and crafts knife (optional)

Garlic bulbs

Small screw eyes

Kitchen string

INSTRUCTIONS

Spray-paint laser-cut wooden keys black; let dry thoroughly. (Keys are available on a variety of

websites and in crafts stores.) You also can make a pattern and, using a crafts knife, cut key shapes from cardstock.

Install screw eyes in garlic bulbs. String keys and garlic bulbs on kitchen string; hang.





Along Came a Spider: Paper Bats MATERIALS

Bat patterns, right

Double-sided black matte-finish art paper

White pencil

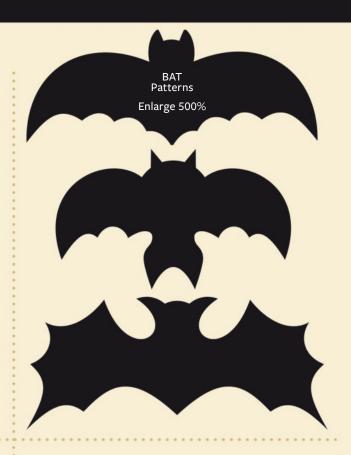
Double-stick tape

White parchment paper

INSTRUCTIONS

Enlarge the bat patterns, and cut out the shapes. Using a white pencil, trace bats onto black art paper. Cut out the bats, cutting just inside the white pencil lines.

To cover each windowpane with parchment paper, cut paper to size and attach using double-stick tape placed in the corners of the paper. Using double-stick tape, position and attach bats to the parchment-covered panes.



Eerie Entry: Fright This Way Sign

Sign artwork from BHG.com/ScaryFreebies

Cardstock: white for download

Matte brochure paper: black (optional)

White letter stickers (optional)

White gel pen (optional)

Laser-cut wood frame with 8x10-inch opening

Chalkboard paint: black

Chalk: white

Double-stick tape

36 inches of ribbon or twine

INSTRUCTIONS

Download the sign artwork; enlarge it to fit the frame opening, and print it on white cardstock. Trim to fit. Distress the entire surface of the sign by rubbing white chalk over it.

Optional: Use white letter stickers in a variety of sizes to spell out your message on black paper. Add a border with a white gel pen. Distress using chalk.

Paint the frame using black chalkboard paint, and let dry. Distress the frame using white chalk.

Using double-stick tape, attach the sign to the inside of the frame. Hang with ribbon or twine.

Eerie Entry: Cauldron and Bottles MATERIALS

Label artwork from BHG.com/ScaryFreebies

Purchased letter stickers

Paper labels and tags

Gel pens: black and white

Cauldron, bottles, miscellaneous containers

Double-stick tape or glue stick

Cotton batting, bath salts, dried beans, candies

INSTRUCTIONS

Purchase a variety of sticker labels and tags from the crafts store. Download label artwork, then use a gel pen to write the names of the contents. Spell words with letter stickers, or print labels from your computer using a photo-processing program.

Place letter stickers directly onto containers. For computer-generated labels, cut out shapes and attach them to bottles using double-stick tape or a glue stick.

For cauldron fog or for fog in a bottle, we used cotton batting. You can fill other containers with white bath salts, dried black beans, or black and white candies.

Pest Control: Ants

1 block black Fimo clay per ant 16-gauge black crafts wire Small wire cutters Small needle-nose pliers Kitchen paring knife

INSTRUCTIONS

Place clay on a clean cutting surface. Cut one clay block in half, then cut one piece in half again. You will have three pieces. Roll the largest piece into a ball for the back section. Roll one small piece into an oval for the middle and the last small piece into a ball for the head.

Cut one 3-inch length of wire; thread the clay forms onto the wire. Cut off excess wire. To make legs, cut six 2-inch lengths of wire. Bend each wire in the center slightly, and twist one end into a loop for a foot using needle-nose pliers. For antenna, cut two $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch lengths of wire and loop one end of each piece, as shown *below*.

Push all pieces of wire into the clay body; let the ant bodies dry for at least 24 hours.









Eerie Entry: Urn MATERIALS

Urn or other decorative container
Florists foam or crafts foam Tree branches
Dried black beans
Artificial gourds
White spray paint (optional)
Kitchen string
Small black-orb clusters on wire stems



INSTRUCTIONS

Fill an urn or container with florists foam to within 3 inches of the top. Cut and insert dry tree branches into the foam (make sure branches are strong enough to support small gourds). Cover the foam with dried black beans.

Purchase white gourds, spray-paint gourds you already have, or vary the gourd colors to fit your own decorating scheme. Cut string to varying lengths, and tie a piece around the stem of each gourd. Tie the opposite end to the branches.

Separate the black orbs (ours came from a florist), and wire them to the branches. Scatter a few more on top of the black beans.

Remains of the Day: Door Decor

Birch plywood, heavy cardstock, or foam core Flat black spray paint

Dried black beans

Dried white kidney beans

Hot-glue gun and glue sticks

Ribbon

Picture hanger

INSTRUCTIONS

Freehand-draw and cut out an urn and/or wreath shape from a piece of plywood, heavy cardstock, or foam core. Spray-paint each cutout flat black; let dry thoroughly. Hot-glue the beans in the desired pattern on the wreath or urn form. Hang the wreath with ribbon, and hang the urn with a picture hanger.

In the SPIRIT

Build a fright-night bash around shadowy figures and menacing moonlit motifs. Paint ominous silhouettes on pumpkins, and create appealingly impish edibles to delight your guests.

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Macabre Mural

Perch fearsome crow profiles and a menacing owl on a paper tree, opposite. Add pumpkins painted in black-and-white stripes and treat bags hung from tree branches displayed in front of the mural.

Take-Home Delights

Create an enticing party-favor station, *left*, that invites guests to take home a starry wand, carryout confections, or a personal-favorite pumpkin.

Glimmer and Glow

Add chic shimmer by dusting moon cutouts with glitter, embellishing owls with glitter-paper details, and painting lustrous white pumpkins with lunar likenesses and scary sayings, *below*.

Take your cue from things that go BUMP in the night and ERITTERS that make your BLOOD run cold.









Stellar Centerpiece

Stick star and moon picks into Halloween-hue cupcakes arranged on a server crafted from a pair of pretty plates and a wood block, left.

Arachnid Artistry

Add spooky spiders and pipedon webs to white-iced chocolate cookies to create irresistible "Spideypowered" indulgences, below left.

Tantalizing Treats
Fill a cauldron with candy-studded popcorn balls, below, that guests can enjoy at the party or tote home in muslin treat bags decorated with festive designs.









Frightful Forms: Painted Pumpkins

MATERIALS

Bat, crow, moon, spider, witch,
"Boo," and tree branch silhouette
patterns from BHG.com/Spirit
Pumpkins
Black acrylic paint
Spray adhesive
Bone folder or credit card
Bamboo skewers
Painter's tape
White acrylic paint

INSTRUCTIONS

For pumpkins with "Boo" or bat, crow, moon, witch, and spider silhouettes: Download and print patterns, cut out images, and trace them onto your pumpkins. Fill in the outlines with black paint. Let dry.

For a color reverse: Firmly adhere a pattern or patterns to a pumpkin using spray adhesive. Seal edges with a bone folder or credit card. Paint the pumpkin's entire surface black, and let dry; remove patterns to expose orange silhouettes beneath.

For two-pumpkin tree silhouette: Choose two pumpkins you can stack. Remove the stem from the bottom pumpkin with a pliers. Cut bamboo skewers in half. Stack pumpkins, and secure with skewer pieces. Download and print tree pattern, cut out image, and trace it onto pumpkins to create a continuous image. Paint silhouettes black; let dry.

For striped pumpkins: Use painter's tape to create either vertical or horizontal lines on each pumpkin. Seal edges with a bone folder or a credit card. Paint the spaces between the taped lines with white acrylic paint; let dry. Remove tape. Paint orange areas black.

Macabre Mural: Paper Tree MATERIALS

Tree pattern and crow, owl, and spider silhouette patterns from *BHG.com/Spirit*Black construction paper
Black masking tape
Damage-free hanging strips
Glitter paper
Glue stick

INSTRUCTIONS

For the wall-mounted tree:
Determine the tree size you want.
Download, enlarge, and print
tree pattern. Lay sheets of black
construction paper on the floor in
a way that approximates the size of
the finished tree. Cut out tree trunk
and branch patterns, and lay them
on the construction paper. When
you have a pleasing arrangement,
trace around designs and cut. Flip
cutouts over, and tape seams with
black masking tape. Hang the tree
using hanging strips.

For the crow, owl,
and spider silhouettes:
Download the patterns,
and trace patterns onto
black construction
paper. Cut out the
shapes, and mount them
on tree branches using
hanging strips. For the owl,
trace detail patterns—
brows, eyes, beak,
wing highlights, and
talons—onto the back of a sheet of
glitter paper. Cut out the shapes, and
adhere to the owl using a glue stick.



Frightful Forms: Swarm of Bats

MATERIALS

from *BHG.com/Spirit*Cardstock
Black art paper
Damage-free hanging strips

INSTRUCTIONS

Download bat patterns, print onto cardstock, and cut out. Place the bat patterns onto black art paper, trace around the patterns, and cut out. Fold wings as shown on the pattern. Adhere the wing-flapping flock on a wall using hanging strips.





Glimmer and Glow: Owland-Moon Door Hanger

MATERIALS

Crescent moon and owl patterns from BHG.com/Spirit

24x36-inch white foam-core panel 20x30-inch piece of black art paper Crafts knife

White glue

Glitter

Small foam brush

Glitter paper

Glue stick

Damage-free hanging strips

INSTRUCTIONS

For crescent moon: Download and enlarge pattern, printing out one section of the design at a time. Tape printed pages together to create a large pattern. Cut out pattern, set it on white foam core, and trace. Use a crafts knife to cut out the moon shape. (Or, if you have an artistic eye, simply draw the crescent moon shape on the foam core, and cut it out using a crafts knife.) Brush white glue onto the moon's surface, and sprinkle with glitter. Shake off excess; let dry. Brush glue on the inner and outer

edges of the moon, sprinkle with glitter, and let dry.

For owl figure: Download and enlarge owl and detail (brows, eyes, beak, talons, and wing-highlight) patterns. Print out one section of the design at a time, and tape printed pages to create a large pattern. Cut out the torso pattern, trace it onto black paper, and cut out the owl shape. Cut out detail patterns, and trace onto the back of a piece of glitter paper. Cut out each detail, and adhere to the owl using a glue stick. Glue strips of foam core to the back of the owl for extra support. Attach the owl to the crescent moon with hanging strips; attach the owl/ moon figure to a door or wall using hanging strips.



Macabre Mural: Treat Bags MATERIALS

Manzanita branches or sturdy forked branches from your yard Black spray paint

Large silver trophy, concrete urn, or vase

Treat bag designs from BHG.com/Spirit Iron-on transfer paper Muslin treat bags

INSTRUCTIONS

Paint branches black; let dry. Place

branches in a container set near your tree mural (the branches should appear to be part of the tree).

For treat bags: Download treat bag designs, and print onto ironon transfer paper as mirror images so words are printed backward. Cut out designs. Following paper manufacturer's directions, transfer the designs to the fronts of the muslin bags. When cool, peel off the paper backings. Fill bags with treats, and hang from the painted branches.

Glimmer and Glow: Lustrous Gourds

"BOO" and man-in-the-moon patterns, from *BHG.com/Spirit*White pumpkins
Black acrylic paint

INSTRUCTIONS

Download patterns, enlarge to desired size, and print. Cut out patterns, and trace man-in-the-moon face and "BOO" onto pumpkins. Paint with black acrylic paint; let dry.

INSTRUCTIONS

Shine on Harvest Moon MATERIALS

20- or 22-inch white paper lanterr White pearl crafts paint Sponge

Man-in-the-moon facial features
patterns from *BHG.com/Spirit*Removable double-stick tape
Decoupage medium (we used Mod
Podge) or white glue
Lantern light
Monofilament line



Assemble a 20- or 22-inch paper lantern. Sponge white pearl crafts paint over the surface. (The surface should look slightly mottled and textured when lit.) Let dry. Download man-in-the-moon patterns, adding a very narrow white border as you cut out each piece. Check placement

of facial features by temporarily attaching them to lantern with removable double-stick tape. Use decoupage medium or white glue to permanently adhere cutouts to lantern. Place lantern light inside; hang the moon from monofilament.



Stellar Centerpiece: Devilish Chocolate Frosted Cupcakes

- ½ cup boiling water
- ½ cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 11/4 cups all-purpose flour
- ½ tsp. baking soda
- ½ tsp. baking powder
- ½ tsp. salt
- ½ cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, softened
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1/3 cup buttermilk
- 1 Fluffy Frosting (see recipe, *left*)
 Sprinkles (optional)
- 1. Preheat oven to 350°F. Line a 12-cupcake baking pan with cupcake liners. Blend boiling water and cocoa in a small bowl; cool 5 minutes. In a medium bowl combine flour, baking soda, baking powder, and salt.
- 2. In a large bowl on high speed, beat butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs and vanilla and beat well. Reduce speed to low and alternately beat in flour mixture and buttermilk until blended. Add cocoa mixture and mix well. Divide batter among prepared cupcake liners.
- 3. Bake for 22–24 minutes, until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool completely in pan on a wire rack. Pipe Fluffy Frosting and top with sprinkles if desired.



Fluffy Frosting

- 3 cups powdered sugar
- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, softened
- 1 Tbsp. vanilla extract (see Note, *below*)
- 4 Tbsp. heavy cream
 Orange gel food coloring
- 1. On high speed beat together sugar and butter until fluffy, about 3 minutes. Add vanilla and cream. Continue beating until well combined, about 1 minute.
- 2. Transfer half the frosting to a decorating bag fitted with a large star tip. Tint remaining frosting with gel food coloring until you have the color you want. Transfer orange frosting to another decorating bag fitted with a large star tip. Pipe frosting onto cupcakes.

Note: To keep the frosting pure white, use clear vanilla extract.

Arachnid Artistry: Spooky Spider Cookies

- 1 oz. unsweetened chocolate
- 3/4 cup (1½ sticks) unsalted butter, softened
- 1½ cups sugar
 - 1 large egg, at room temperature
 - 2 tsp. corn syrup
 - 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 3³/₄ cups all-purpose flour
- ½ cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- ½ tsp. salt

Royal Icing

- 4 cups powdered sugar
- 2 Tbsp. meringue powder (powdered egg whites) Black gel food coloring

For cookies:

1. Place chocolate in a small microwave-safe bowl. Microwave on medium 1 minute, stirring once halfway through. Stir until smooth and melted. Let cool 5 minutes.

- 2. Meanwhile, in a mixing bowl combine butter and sugar; beat until light and fluffy, about 3 minutes. Add egg, corn syrup, and vanilla; beat until well combined. Scrape down sides of bowl. With mixer on low, add flour, cocoa, and salt; beat until combined. Stir in melted chocolate and mix until well blended.
- 3. Divide dough into two disks; wrap and refrigerate 1 hour or up to 2 days.
- 4. Preheat oven to 350°F. Line baking sheets with parchment paper. Roll dough between 2 sheets of waxed paper to ¼-inch thickness. Cut dough into 3-inch circles, using a cookie cutter. Place on prepared baking sheets, 1 inch apart, and bake until edges are just lightly browned, about 10–12 minutes. Cool on baking sheet 2 minutes. Transfer cookies to a wire rack and cool completely. Repeat with any remaining dough.



For Royal Icing:

- 1. Place powdered sugar and meringue powder in a mixing bowl; beat on low to combine. Beat in ¼ cup water; increase speed to high and beat until stiff peaks form, about 3 minutes. Add an additional 2 tablespoons water and beat until light and fluffy.
- 2. To decorate, place 1 cup of the icing in a bowl and tint with black food coloring. Transfer to a decorating bag fitted with a #4 writing tip.
- 3. Dilute remaining white icing with 1 teaspoon *water* at a time until it has the consistency of thick heavy cream. Decorate cookies as desired, following photograph, *above*.



Tantalizing Treats: Creepy Caramel Popcorn Balls

- 1 bag (3.2-oz.) microwave popcorn (about 6 cups)
- $lac{1}{2}$ cup (1 stick) butteı
- 3/4 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- ⅓ cup light corn syrup
- cup candy-coated chocolate pieces or sunflower seeds Nonstick cooking spray
- 1. Microwave popcorn according to package directions. Line a rimmed baking pan with nonstick foil. Spread popcorn onto foil-lined pan.
- 2. Melt butter in a small saucepan over medium heat. Add sugar and corn syrup. Increase heat to high and

bring to a boil, stirring constantly. Boil until sugar dissolves, about 2 minutes. Cool 4 minutes.

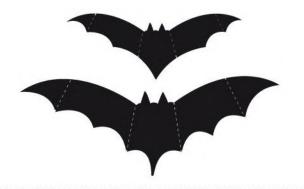
3. Pour sugar mixture over popcorn on baking pan. Coat a spatula with nonstick cooking spray. Push hot mixture into center of baking pan, folding over to combine. Coat your hands with nonstick cooking spray and sprinkle popcorn mixture with candies or seeds. Using your hands, quickly combine ingredients and shape into firmly packed 2-inch balls. Cool completely. Wrap each ball in plastic wrap, or keep covered until ready to serve.

Clever Cover Creations

Liven up your Halloween scene with a cleverly carved, embellished, or even doodled pumpkin. Then enjoy a treat of a Bewitched Cupcake . . . or two!

Going Batty Pumpkin

Enlarge the bat patterns, *below*. Cut out and trace the patterns onto black cardstock. Cut out the bats, and fold where indicated. Use adhesive dots to adhere the bats to your pumpkin.



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Bewitched Cupcakes

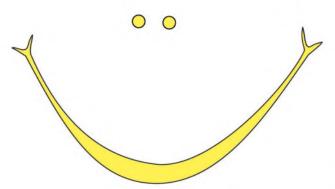
Frost your prepared cupcake with a round swirl tip. Place a chocolate sugar cone on top of a chocolate wafer cookie, joining them with a small amount of piped royal icing. Add the ribbon and buckle details to the cone with a flat ribbon tip and a #2 round decorating tip. Let the icing dry. Place the hat on the frosted cupcake.

DESIGNER: Schur to Please and Jessica Bender

PRODUCER: Echo's Cookie Shop

Classic Carving Pumpkin

Enlarge the face pattern, below. Tape the pattern to the pumpkin, and transfer the design by poking holes through the outline of the pattern. Remove the pattern. Carve the outline areas. For best results, carve from the center outward. Leave the cutouts in place until you're completely done, then push out the cutouts from the inside of the pumpkin.



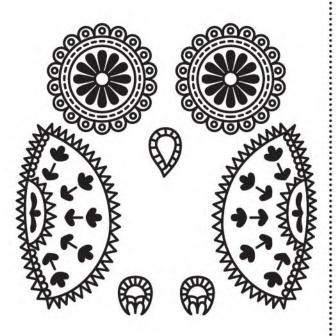




What a Hoot Pumpkin!

Enlarge the owl pattern, below. Tape the pattern to the pumpkin, and transfer the design with graphite paper. Go over the lines with a metallic marker.

DESIGNER: Ashley Hackshaw



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